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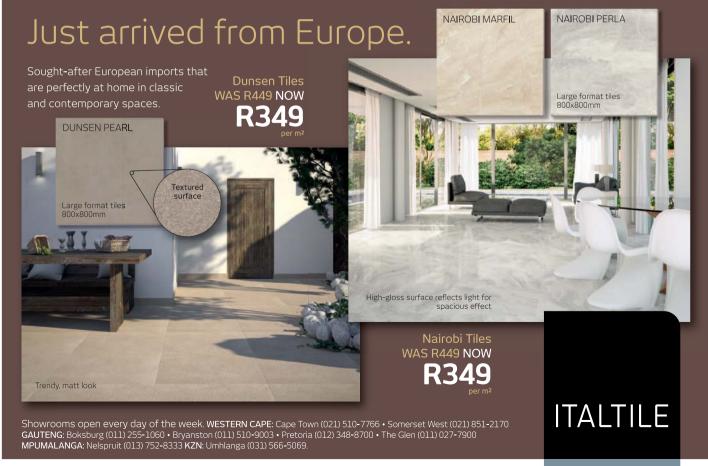




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HOUSE OF THE MONTH
This spectacular new Sandhurst home wows with its level of luxe attention to detail (page 54).

've written here before about how luxury means different things to different people – from unbridled opulence and wide open spaces to free time alone. I think with this issue we've captured the essence of another form of luxury: modern glamour, South African style.

This year's annual Luxe List is my favourite to date. Decor Editor Leana Schoeman has a great eye and never is it more evident than in this glamorous dream of living with nature (page 80), while our House of the Month prompted writer Tess Paterson to note: "James Bond" is my first reaction'. This sculptural, off-shutter concrete new build in Joburg's Sandhurst is not just astounding because of its architecture and sheer size but also because its interiors are so well considered and luxe, yet the end result manages to be understated rather than ostentatious (page 54).

THE OWNERS HAVE CLEARLY AND DEFIANTLY EXERCISED THEIR OWN INTERPRETATIONS OF HIGH LIVING.

selection (page 32). Love This Look (page 19) offers a contemporary take on the traditional chinoiserie – a firm favourite with decorators and designers alike – while Want It demonstrates how marble has found its way into places beyond its origins (page 26). This month's #HLmakeover (page 28) is a clever example of how to turn a redundant space into many women's fantasy – a walk-in wardrobe.

The line-up of homes shows how the owners have clearly and defiantly exercised their own interpretations of high living. For the Dutch couple who spend half the year in Cape Town, their Camps Bay house (page 64) is all about 'a restrained sense of luxury' as seen in 'careful craftsmanship, evident from the walls and floors to the ceilings with their subtle recessed lighting, and the slick but exceedingly comfortable furnishings'. The owner of our cover house has created a home that 'seems to float among the trees in leafy Higgovale', thereby fulfilling his

Charred and Raw (page 110) proves that keeping food as close to its natural state as possible to enhance the flavours doesn't have to equate with boring or 'hippy'.

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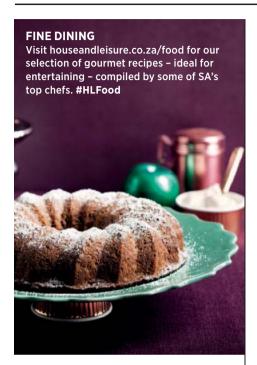




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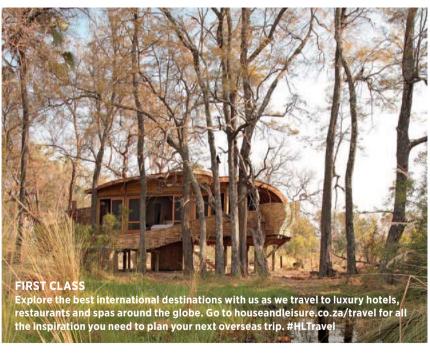




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What does luxury mean to you? It's having the time and the presence of mind to shut out the rest of the world and enjoy the moment at hand.

What designer item do you covet? Hand-woven cotton products from Mungo. Your biggest splurge? The time

we redid our kitchen. The carefully chosen fittings, such as handmade handles for our kitchen drawers and LED lighting, have paid off dividends for our enjoyment of the space ever since. What little luxury can't you live without? My Egyptian cotton bedding from Falucca Linen – once you've slept on it there's no going back. Favourite South African hotel? I love Grande Roche Hotel in Paarl for its country-style luxury.

ANNEMARIE STEENKAMP

is the head chef of Burrata restaurant in Cape Town. For this issue she contributed three hubbard squash recipes (page 106).

What little luxury can't you live without? Good coffee is a definite luxury for me and one I wouldn't be able to live without. Your biggest splurge? My neverending supply of chef's knives. Favourite shop? I like Spree for



the convenience that it offers as well as the products available. **Favourite South African hotel?** It will have to be Le Quartier Français in Franschhoek. **What does luxury mean to you?** Due to the industry I'm in, luxury means evenings at home in front of the fire with a glass of wine.



LEIGH ROBERTSON,

HL's former Deputy Editor, is now a Contributing Editor. For this issue she reported on, among other topics, the amazing talent at 100% Design South Africa (page 40).

What does luxury mean to you? It's being able to make choices – a roof over my head during a winter storm but also enjoying a beautifully

prepared meal somewhere such as Tokara Restaurant. What designer item do you covet? I have no space left for furniture so it's down to wearables, such as an Apple Watch and a jumper by UK fashion designer Bella Freud. Your biggest splurge? Going to Bali on a whim with a credit card. The only thing I really care to splurge on is travel. I have no regrets ever. What little luxury can't you live without? Good wine, delivered to my door, via Babylonstoren's wine club.



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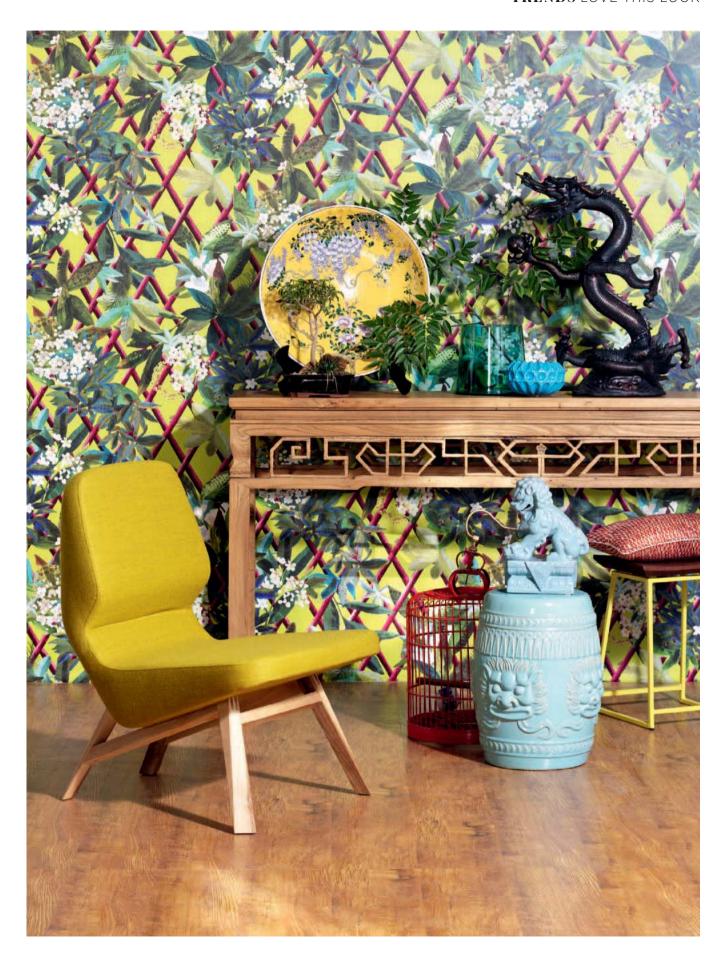


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ABOVE, FROM LEFT **Backdrop**, photographer's own; elm-wood carved **screen** with base R32 000 (1.62×1.82m), Norick Interiors; Trento 8.3mm **laminated flooring** in Aged Hickory (9463144) R129/m², Builders Warehouse; **newspaper**, stylist's own; Segment **armchair** in Lama 805 by Numen/Foruse for Prostoria R22 900, Hip Republic; Ambre **cushion** (CO 124 38 04) in Ambre Rouge mars by Élitis R1 335, St Leger & Viney; Modern elm-wood **vase stand** with marble inlay R4 600, Norick Interiors; Ficus Ginseng S Type **bonsai** R595, GardenShop; Meru Tub **armchair** upholstered in Varese fabric in Terracotta from the Varese Fabrics collection

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This Jozi curator, producer and Pinterest guru believes design should transcend all trends

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hen it comes to personal style Leigh Toselli is something of a contradiction. 'My fashion taste is monochromatic, minimalist and classic, while my home is eclectic, colourful and chaotic,' she says.

As a freelance stylist and producer (and HL's Beauty Editor), Leigh finds Pinterest an invaluable tool. In fact, she spends so much of her free time pinning, sourcing and researching, that she's become one of the country's most influential pinners with close to 93 000 followers.

With a respect for timelessness, Leigh steers clear of anything too new, too shiny or too plastic. 'I like items with the patina of age, objects that are smoothed around the edges, worn and faded with love,' she says.

For Leigh luxury is about quality, time and the sensory experience. 'Nothing feels quite like cashmere, freshly laundered sheets or Irish linen. That said, savouring a moment, such as watching the embers dwindle around the campfire, that for me is true luxury.' □ P leigh_toselli; toselli.co.za





CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT Leigh Toselli; she'd like a set of Das Pop pendant lights by Maarten Baas for Lavit; she has a thing for fragrances; Leigh covets pieces from Seletti's Hybrid Collection: her love of colour makes the Qalakabusha sofa by Ardmore an obvious choice; she's drawn to the realism of Italian sculptor Bruno Walpoth's works; Leigh would like a Styriette Electric CIty Bike; black lace-up heels by Day Birger et Mikkelsen are on her wish list; she likes chunky, organic jewellery.





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here was a time when it was imperative to hotfoot it to London, Milan or Paris to dose up on inspiration and replenish creative reserves, whatever the cost amid an exchange rate that has always felt just plain crippling for South Africans. That's where ideas came from, that's where 'good design' originated. It was the very altar of covetable design, from products and furniture to architecture and interior spaces. Among the holy grails of international shows to sigh about (ask any decor editor) has always, or at least since it launched in 1995, been 100% Design at the London Design Festival. People have given up meals for a month just to be there and soak it up.

That there's been something of a polar shift, with designers up north increasingly taking their cues from our 'dark continent', is widely acknowledged. 'South Africa has hit the world stage. It's no longer a secret,' says Cathy O'Clery who, with fellow industry heavyweight and business partner Laurence Brick, is the creative force behind 100% Design South Africa - with this latest iteration of the international show being one among just four, including events in Singapore and Tokyo.

'South Africa is considered one of the design hot spots of the world,' says Cathy. 'People come here specifically to see our design. There's a creative energy here that is booming!' ▷

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT Dauphin's Aspetta range is for casual meeting corners; Cathy O'Clery; The 2015 Pastel Liquorice collection designed by Deanne Viljoen forms part of De Steyl's range of 2DO Stackable Storage Systems and features art by Renée Rossouw. OPPOSITE PAGE A piece by Osterwald & Sons Cabinet Makers.



Q&A WITH CATHY O'CLERY, 100% DESIGN **SOUTH AFRICA PROGRAMME DIRECTOR**

Why is a show such as 100% Design South Africa important?

It creates a joint platform for the designers, the producers and the people who bring products into the country to showcase all their work under one roof. I think it's really important for the whole design community to have this platform. The show is curated, meaning the designers and manufacturers are in a space where they are able to elevate each other. It helps to show that there is an amazing standard of design in this country.

What was a highlight from last year? It was truly inspiring to witness the combination of cutting-edge and up-

and-coming designers sitting alongside established industry heavyweights. It gave the show a unique edge and created an atmosphere of design happening in the industry.

How would you describe the general mood of the show?

It's contemporary but not necessarily trend driven. There will always be current trends visible at 100% Design South Africa, especially in fabrics, soft furnishings and paint colours, but my theory is that good design transcends trends - you'll find a lot of the design here will continue for years to come. For example, participating cabinetmakers such as Meyer von Wielligh and Andrew Dominic are making the antiques of the future.

What are you and Laurence especially excited about for this year's show? Our passion project is our featured designer of the year. We look out for

voung or emerging designers who are just about to hit the international arena. This year it's Renée Rossouw, a phenomenally talented designer who is just going to go from strength to strength. She has a unique style, as with Atang Tshikare, last year's featured designer. The energy these designers have is incredible. We're also pleased to have another talented designer, Mia Widlake, lending her trademark quirky, contemporary style to Bar by Design, which is the central meeting hub at this year's 100% Design South Africa.

TRENDS BY DESIGN

Last year's inaugural show in Johannesburg had the challenge of setting itself apart from other design- and decor-related exhibitions in this country. 'Apart from showing leading international brands as part of the mix, the major difference with 100% Design South Africa is that it is design focused and, essentially, curated,' notes Cathy, the show's programme director. 'Every single exhibitor is chosen by us and they have to meet a certain standard of design production. It creates such a fantastic understanding of how amazing our design industry is.'

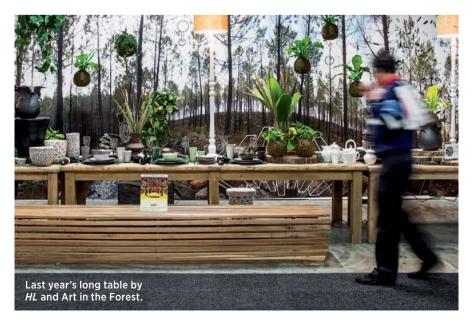
The outline for this year's event, which takes place from 6 to 10 August, hints at nothing short of an inspiration overdose, with several in-show exhibitions providing the sort of contemplative moments usually reserved for museum visits. Cathy herself is inviting a glimpse through her welltrained eye via an artfully curated display of 100 Beautiful Things, while 100% Talent introduces the work of names to watch. A highlight will be the exhibition 'Sphere' presented by Dutch initiative Development by Design in collaboration with the Cape Craft and Design Institute, and featuring high-end handmade design working with texture and scale. New workplace systems will be revealed by Dauphin HumanDesign Group, the show's headline sponsor.

House and Leisure is again partnering with ceramics studio Art in the Forest to present works by some of this country's most skilful artists at 100% Upliftment where ceramics are imaginatively displayed on a long table. Proceeds from the sales of these wondrous works will help fund the Light from Africa Foundation's clay workshops for children from disadvantaged backgrounds.

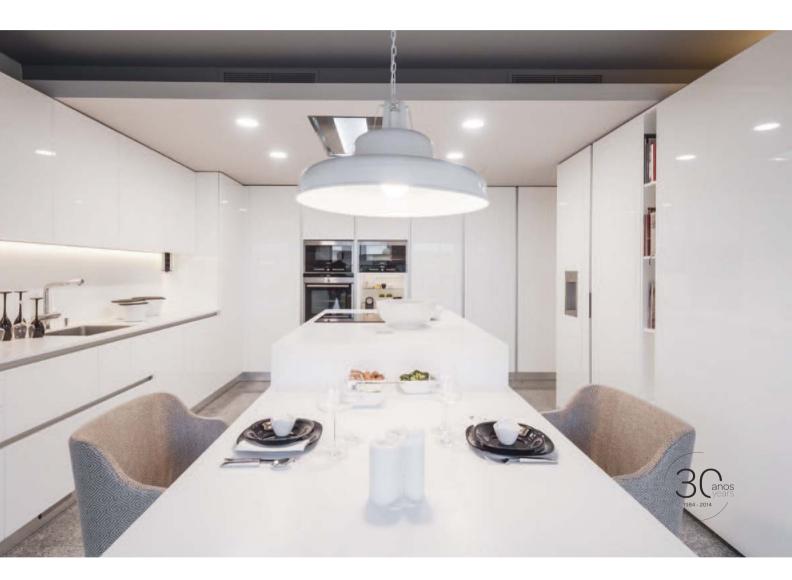
Between 100% Colour, an exhibition celebrating the power of colour in product design in association with Plascon, and 100% Hotel, a haute hospitality stand designed by Generation's Julia Day, there's also the opportunity to preview new collections by some of South Africa's most exciting designers working in textiles, timber, weaving and more cutting-edge design processes. Some of the names we are looking out for include Osterwald & Sons Cabinet Makers and Raw Studio.



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andrew smart

A Hyde Park flat revamp makes a virtue of its traditional features while introducing chic, modern, masculine aesthetics

TEXT GRAHAM WOOD PHOTOGRAPHS ELSA YOUNG







Ithough Andrew Smart's Hyde Park flat has a certain lock-up-and-go convenience suited to a professional bachelor – Andrew is the finance director of a shipping company – it's far from a bland pad. He had in many ways already curated his belongings to reflect a personal narrative according to Megan Hesse of Anatomy Design, who helped Andrew refurbish its grand old rooms.

Andrew had a selection of heirloom furniture – a cabinet, an escritoire that belonged to his grandfather and an old chaise longue. He is also a collector of contemporary South African design and has assembled pieces from the likes of Anatomy Design, Tonic, Mezzanine, Dokter and Misses, and Gregor Jenkin.

The contrast between old and new works beautifully in the old-fashioned, multi-roomed structure of the flat.

Therefore, although Megan turned her interior designer's eye to stripping the place to its bare bones – the 'sparkly white 1970s tiles and pink carpets' left them with little choice – she found much of the narrative for the furnishings ready to harness.

From a leitmotif of mapping she uncovered – perhaps this is the shipping connection – to the textured masculine finishes, Megan used her deft touch to bring it all together into the kind of home that does indeed tell a story. \Box anatomydesign.co.za



CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE The bed in the main bedroom was custom-made by Anatomy Design. The Jieldé lamps are from Tonic and the kilim is from Paco; the Lorraine Pendants from Anatomy Design complement the oak dining room table; Andrew was delighted to have a proper sitting room in the flat where he could display his 'Karoo' print by Peter Eastman; a balcony runs the length of the apartment.



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TRENDS ART SMART











monna mokoena

With a second Gallery MOMO now open in Cape Town, this gallerist and curator wants to draw new audiences to the arts

TEXT LEIGH ROBERTSON PHOTOGRAPHS GREG COX, SUPPLIED

hen Monna Mokoena's Gallery MOMO opened its doors in Joburg's Parktown North it quickly established itself as one of the city's most exciting venues at which to get to grips with the who's who of contemporary artists from South Africa and the continent. Some 12 years on Cape Town has welcomed a Gallery MOMO of its own, opening to the public with a group show featuring the likes of Mary Sibande and Mohau Modisakeng. That the new space is considerably grander in scale makes it possible to show larger works and host exhibitions of a more ambitious nature, an enticing prospect for Monna, who also intends using the space's large dedicated video-screening room as a means to draw in a new audience of art enthusiasts.

Monna's illustrious art career includes stints in Japan and taking on the role of commissioner to the South African Pavilion at the 54th Venice Biennale. He's not only a veteran of the local art scene but a culturist in the broader sense, with a penchant for jazz. **Gallery MOMO**, Oro Africa Building, 170 Buitengracht St, Cape Town; 52 7th Ave, Parktown North, Johannesburg, gallerymomo.com

What art would you buy with R5 000? I would save the R5 000 and add it to the R10 000, thereafter putting it into a good print by any of the up-and-coming contemporary artists in South Africa. **R50 000?** This could go towards any artwork by South African artist Jonathan Freemantle, R1 000 000? I would commission a portrait by Paul Emsley. Which one artwork do you regret not buying? A work by Japanese artist Chiharu Shiota. What artwork do you wish you had bought 10 years ago? An abstract painting titled 'Series 2' by locally underrated, yet internationally acclaimed, South African master Ernest Mancoba. New artists you've got your eye on? Florine Demosthene, Kimathi Donkor, Jonathan Hindson, Raél Jero Salley and Jonathan Freemantle. What would you buy now for investment purposes? It's best to trust your instinct

and buy what you like and enjoy leaving

with a priceless cultural investment. Who is currently seriously big on the local art scene? Blessing Ngobeni and Dillon Marsh. Which local artist is doing well on the international market at the moment? Mohau Modisakeng. What's your favourite piece of art in your own home? Every piece of art that finds its way into my home is a favourite. Is there a dominant theme in current local art? The easy dissemination of information has allowed artists to engage in global issues that affect mankind. Who is your favourite great South African master? Dumile Feni. What's your all-time favourite artwork and artist? Yinka Shonibare's 'The Sleep of Reason Produces Monsters'.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT Monna Mokoena; 'State of Being (Camera)' by Chiharu Shiota; 'West O'okiep Mine' by Dillon Marsh; Jonathan Freemantle's 'Der Heilige Berg VII'; 'Untitled' by Mohau Modisakeng.

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The Mercedes-AMGS 65 Coupé replaces the CL in the company's line-up and, at R3.1 million, is currently the most expensive Mercedes-Benz available in South Africa. At that price you will be the owner of one of the most powerful production engines ever made. The six-litre V12 biturbo is as smooth as it is brutal; it is so powerful that the car only uses second gear to pull off in most drive modes.

The completely new bodywork encases a cabin that is significantly nicer than my apartment. Two huge flat screens dominate the swooping wood and leather dash, and display everything from DVDs to a nightvision camera that highlights pedestrians automatically in complete darkness.

You also control the massage function from here; six types are on offer for driver and passenger. Rear passengers don't have nearly as much legroom as you'd expect and I think passengers may battle to sit behind a driver of any height. This really is a driver's coupé.

What's remarkable about all of this is that. given the exceptional level of comfort and the sheer size of the thing, you'd expect it to handle like a speedboat but it doesn't. At pace it instils confidence to push harder, which is as delightful as it is unexpected.

Helping defy physics is a barrage of impressive tech, the most notable being the world debut of Magic Body Control. Two cameras scan the road ahead and, if they detect a corner, the systems will lower the suspension on the inside wheels to lean the car into the corner, a bit like a motorbike. You can feel it, and it works.

There are some venerable ultra-luxury coupés on the market but I have never been in a car that combines exceptional technology with exquisite detail quite like this. Mercedes-Benz can be very proud of this one; at any price this could be one of the best cars ever built. △

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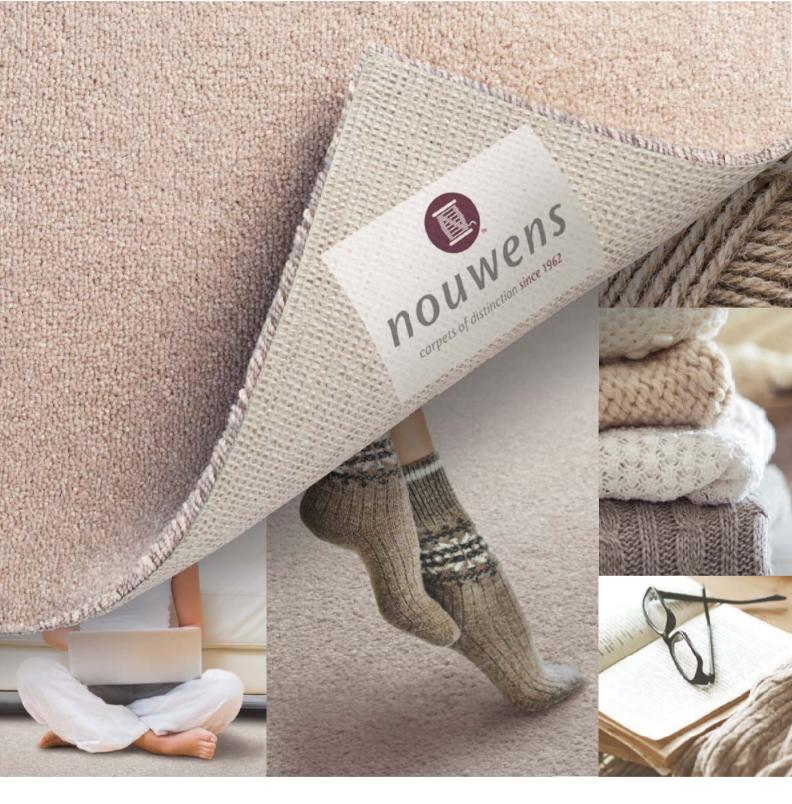
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HOMES

From his house in the trees Grant observes guinea fowl, the circling African hawk-eagle, sunbirds, Cape white-eyes and squirrels. Owls can be heard hooting at night and twice he has encountered a porcupine in the road before dawn when heading to the gym. What a privilege to live next to a nature reserve, Grant says. Till never move or sell. This is my dream house.







CONCRETE HOME

Restrained opulence and uncompromising quality are the hallmarks of this Sandhurst build.

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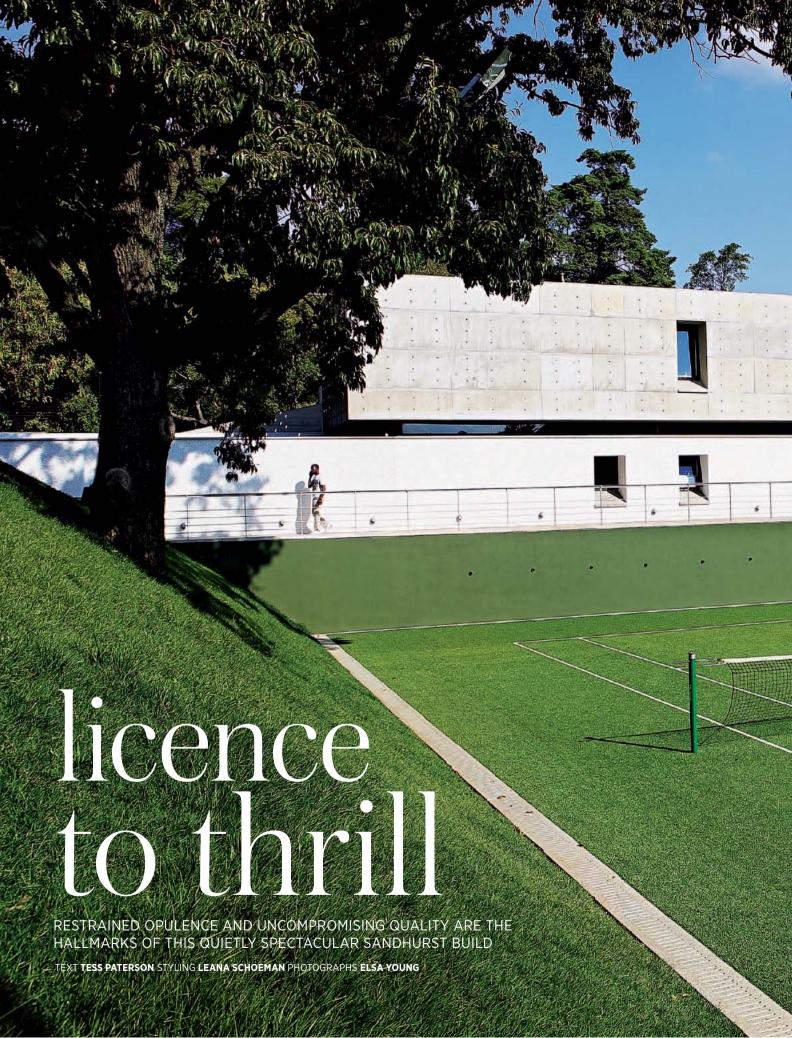
A modern home built into the slopes of Camps Bay in Cape Town layers concrete and timber for a dramatic look. page 64

CLASSIC HOME

Grand in scale and classic in concept, a Constantia villa makes for an opulent but restful family abode. page 72

CONTEMPORARY

For the owner of this house in Higgovale the biggest luxury is living with nature. page 80





t's a crisp Highveld day when architect Keith Mason from PWM Architects walks me through this extraordinary new build in a leafy Sandhurst, Johannesburg, enclave. The initial approach is unassuming, accessed via a narrow bambooclad driveway. Quite unexpectedly it opens up into a vast greened parking area topped with a futuristic panoply of off-

shutter concrete. 'James Bond' is my first reaction, followed by the happy certainty that I'm about to experience something eminently off the wall. Set on a 4 000m2 site and completely sheltered by greenery, this labour-intensive project took three years to complete. 'My clients were living next door when they decided to buy this property,' explains Keith. 'It's a rare location in that each of the neighbours have spacious, treed gardens. You don't see a roofline anywhere and, despite being in the heart of a city, the sense of privacy is profound.' Once the sloping terrain had been levelled and the existing house demolished, the fivebedroomed home began to take shape.

The result is undeniably sculptural, a quality enhanced by Keith's choice of the off-shutter concrete for the walls, roof and beams. 'I like the plastic quality of this material and the way that you can cast it in curves,' he says. Keith contrasted the matt, unapologetically utilitarian finish with elements of smooth plaster, timber and steel. On the ground level granite-tile flooring with a hint of a speckle adds a flinty, stonelike permanence to the neutral shell.

'I think it's quite mysterious in that the design doesn't reveal itself immediately,' ▷





James Bond' is my first reaction.



he says. 'The front view, for instance, is organic and sculptural with very few windows.' On the opposite side the expansive patio and bedroom suites above it form an elegant series of cubes – a combination of glass and solid boxes that are partially suspended on columns. Linking the two floors is a Z-shaped interior ramp. Sparse and gallerylike, it's an integral part of the home's logical, fluid layout.

Keith's interior concept evolved from the idea of a highly flexible living area that could be subdivided to suit his client's needs. At the heart of it all is the double volume living room – its height and sloping walls directing ever changing light into the space. Sliding doors create a seamless connection not only to the vast patio but to the adjacent dining room, kitchen, informal lounge and study. Opened up the effect is vast, serene and unfettered. For daily living the area adjusts effortlessly into smaller, contained spaces as required.

Once the building was complete the owners commissioned Adam Court of Studia, who was then a design partner at Antoni Associates, to create the bespoke interior. 'I was handed this blank canvas, which I found beautifully bizarre,' he says. 'It doesn't adhere to any rules and it makes a statement in an almost subliminal way.' Describing his approach as 'structured and formal,' Adam was responsible for designing every item of furniture. 'The interior architecture is such that nothing superfluous would have worked. I wanted to convey a sense of geometry and was absolutely rigorous with the furniture layout - each piece was designed to occupy a predetermined spot,' he says.

Adam intentionally chose a 'lean' colour palette with subtle modulations from space to space. 'They're shadow tones and, together with the luxurious fabrics and matt and polished accents, create an opulence that's low-key rather than ostentatious,' he says. A series of custom carpets, woven in wool and silk, ground the living spaces, their crisp geometry echoing what he calls 'origami in a flat form'. 'This has to be one of my favourite projects,' he says. 'Our client was so decisive and trusting of our ideas. It's extremely satisfying when architecture and design synchronise so successfully.'

For Keith this is an original house, a restrained, practical space in which the owners can fully express themselves. 'It's not a fashion statement and there were no compromises,' he says. 'I think it will be here for a while.' \(\to\) PWM Architects, pwmarch.co.za; Antoni Associates, aainteriors.co.za; Studia, studiadesign.com; Patrick Watson, 011-646-8970







Q&A WITH ARCHITECT KEITH MASON

What is the epitome of luxury? The freedom to do what you want. What was the starting point of this design? To create a flexible living space that could be configured to accommodate change. Whose work do you admire? I still love the work of Le Corbusier he changed architecture forever. It's hard to come up with an idea that he didn't explore 60 years ago. Visiting Notre Dame du Haut, in Ronchamp, and the Couvent Sainte-Marie de La Tourette, near Lyon, was a revelation to me. What's your favourite style of architecture? The work of the early modernists after World War I. It reflected an optimism for the future that is inspiring. What did you love about this project? This was a very exciting project to work on as it provided us with the opportunity to do what we do best. Our client's trust in us allowed us to explore ideas and take chances. Luxury is... relative; it is having more than one is used to. For me a Picasso in the living room would suffice! What's your best way to spoil yourself? Travel; it's a luxury I can't get enough of. What are some of your favourite shops? Hardware and stationery shops. Tools, paint, crayons - I'm a child at heart! Which designers are on your radar? I have my eye on Azzedine Alaïa, who designs clothes how architects should design buildings. They are incredible, functional, sculptural works of art.





FROM TOP In the main bedroom the Kelvin LED table lamps in Shiny White by Antonio Citterio for Flos are from ELDC (eldc.co.za) and the wool-and-silk rug was custom-made; a ramp of stained oak and concrete connects the ground floor to the bedroom suites above. OPPOSITE The main bathroom has a triangular seating ledge and features a Ricera freestanding bath from OXO (oxosa.co.za).

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A sun pavilion at the foot of the garden with its statement swimming pool is just one of the standout features of this contemporary home in Camps Bay, Cape Town. Its angular contours reflect those of the house itself, which was designed by Arthur Quinton Darryl Croome Architects. For the owners, when seated on the patio on a clear summer's day, the effect is of floating out into the sea beyond. The landscaping is by Room to Grow (roomtogrow.co.za).







Much of the furniture in this house, including these sofas by Linteloo (linteloo.com) in the lounge, were brought over via container from Europe. ABOVE The outdoor furniture on the patio is by Manutti (manutti.com) and the lamp is by Flos (flos.com).

ife's most extravagant pleasures can sometimes be narrowed down to the simplest of things, such as waking up and enjoying a good cup of coffee in your own bed, rather than in an impersonal hotel room, when spending time in a city

that's become a second home. It's certainly the case for a Dutch couple who sojourn for six months every year in Cape Town. Their love for the city and its natural splendour has translated into a magnificent contemporary house that honours its surrounds and reflects its owners' impeccable European style.

There's no doubt that the views of the sea and Camps Bay beach - as seen from all the bedrooms in this spacious, but beautifully contained, home - add to the restrained sense of luxury that abounds here. It's seen all around in the seamless attention to detail in every corner, the careful craftsmanship evident from the walls and floors to the ceilings with their subtle recessed lighting, and the slick but exceedingly comfortable furnishings. The house might be decorated with thoughtfully chosen design pieces from the likes of B&B Italia, Linteloo and Moooi but it's a space that also invites barefoot downtime. Just sink into the cushions on a sofa on the shaded patio to know why.

It's not the first home the couple, owners of Stellenbosch boutique hotel Clouds Estate (featured in HL in March 2013), have occupied in Camps Bay but it was during their attachment years here that they developed a clear vision for a house built to suit their highly particular taste and needs.

The brief to Darryl Croome of Arthur Quinton Darryl Croome Architects was for a clean-lined modern home that would be in keeping with its site – a slice of the steep slope descending from the Twelve Apostles mountains to the sea. Indeed, viewed from below, the structure appears to be set right into the mountain with its sensitively landscaped garden blending it further into its surrounds and adding a softening green counter effect to the angular lines of the structure.

While a substantial property, arranged over three floors and with a separate, self-contained apartment for visiting friends, the house feels surprisingly cosy and its scale pleasingly human. It has been designed to transition all seasons, with its ceiling-height glass sliding doors disappearing entirely to create a breezy indoor-outdoor flow.

Fundamental to the architecture is its exquisite materiality. The smooth, almost silken-looking off-shutter concrete shell is layered with slate, blackened timber and the









palest European oak. While the overall look is one of calm repose there are some statement making moments, in particular the sculptural oak staircase that appears lightly suspended between the three floors. It floats against a backdrop that looks like a landscape-art installation: a sheer wall of slate delineating the sharp excavation into the mountain, set behind a sheet of glass with a water feature at its foot.

Similarly, the swimming pool is an artistically visualised continuation of the architecture. Designed in an L shape that echoes the lines of the house, specifically the layer of zinc cladding that stops short of enfolding the structure, it dominates the outdoor space. The idea was stolen, admit the owners, from the pool at W Retreat Koh Samui in Thailand but, rather than tiled in black, the Camps Bay version features the same granitehued porcelain tiles used in the bathrooms and on the floors (even the garage) of the house.

On the other side of the water a square of bright green lawn is a striking modern gazebo built from the same blackened western red cedar used to dramatic effect in feature walls and other details throughout the house. With its slatted screens drawn aside there's an uninterrupted ocean vista to drink in while sunning yourself on an unspeakably stylish lounger. What could be more luxurious than that? \bigcirc Clouds Estate, cloudsestate.co.za; Arthur Quinton Darryl Croome Architects, aqdcarchitects.com, f AQDCArchitects



Q&A WITH ARCHITECT DARRYL CROOME

What do you love most about this house? The unassuming and understated way in which it gently inhabits the site - which is very appropriate and reflective of my clients' personalities. What was the biggest challenge? To fit all the spatial requirements onto a small site footprint without an overbearing presence. What space in the house was especially successful? The flexibility of the living space - from compact lounge to expansive outdoor terraces, pool and garden. What is the house's most luxurious feature? The range of experiences on offer - from the fireside wine cellar and home theatre to generous open living spaces and intimate sleeping zones. The current available green technology has been employed throughout the house, with sophisticated, automatic control systems. Describe your architectural style in three words... timeless, elegant and appropriate. What's your pet design hate? Thoughtless, insensitive, over-scaled buildings. How do you define luxury? To be fortunate to live with great ease and comfort - whether at home or experiencing our exquisitely beautiful country locations. What luxury can't you live without? Exciting experiences such as a recent trip we did through the Richtersveld on mountain bikes. Where do you find inspiration? In the current fresh new thinking of young, talented architects driven by the desire for architecture to be relevant and sustainable.



TOP The tactile materiality of the house continues in the bathrooms, with the oak floors by Stable Marketing and slate-hued porcelain tiles creating a soothing neutral backdrop for sleek sanitary ware from Exquisite Bathrooms (exb.co.za). The tiles are Bluestone Evolution series from Cotto d'Este (cottodeste.it). LEFT On the upstairs patio the slatted timber awning provides shade and shelter but also allows for a continuation of the view, best enjoyed while relaxing on a Husk chair by Patricia Urquiola for B&B Italia (bebitalia.com).

OPPOSITE The master bedroom presents a painterly composition of warm neutral tones, with the charcoal, ochre and crisp white elements echoed in Lionel Smit's imposing painting. The bed is sumptuously dressed in linen from The Hall Collection (thehallcollection.co.za).

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AMAZING GRACE

GRAND IN SCALE AND CLASSIC IN CONCEPT, THIS CONSTANTIA VILLA MAKES FOR AN OPULENT BUT RESTFUL FAMILY HOME

TEXT HILARY PRENDINI TOFFOLI STYLING DANIELLE HOWARD PHOTOGRAPHS GREG COX







n arrival at this grand home in Constantia, Cape Town, your immediate impression is of a house of baronial proportions: graceful old-world style in the most sublime sense of the term. This house, however, is just over a year old.

'We moved in last year in April,' says its owner Lauren Searll. 'I bought the property in August 2012. There was a 1970s single-storey house on it and we planned to use the foundations but once we started the engineer said we needed to construct better ones. So we built from scratch.'

Having worked closely with architect Jacky Cattell for three years Lauren's vision was clear: 'I knew exactly what I wanted. A French-inspired, romantic, classic home that breathed warmth and love.'

She and her late husband Aaron Searll, the Cape Town clothing-industry magnate, used to visit the legendary Hôtel du Cap-Eden-Roc in Antibes in the South of France every year so it's no surprise that stylish France is visible in her home, not only in the crystal chandeliers, ornate mirrors, French dressers and Louis XV cabriole legs that pop up everywhere but also in the special pieces

such as the 19th-century French church pew in the hall and the French butcher's rack that acts as a kitchen pot hanger.

There's French oak, too, on the floors and in the glass-fronted cabinets, while a rustic feel is maintained in the ceilings with poplar beams and exposed trusses.

You might imagine that Lauren and her two daughters – Juliette, 11, and Sophia, 10, – would rattle around in this mansion. Yet, thanks to the relatively small rooms and quietly elegant decor, it's the kind of home that wraps itself around you. It's serene and relaxed, an effect achieved partly by muted natural colours throughout. As Lauren puts it: 'Everything is gentle except our upstairs playroom.'

She was responsible for the decor, with the assistance of interior designer Georgina Bagg.

The calm spirit of the house is rather like that of its unflappable owner. 'I'm a very traditional person and family is the most important thing in my life,' Lauren says, 'so I want to live in a space that is completely comfortable and warm. As a Taurean I love life's luxuries so beautiful fabrics, antiques and crystal always have to feature but nothing is precious and anyone coming into my home





must feel completely relaxed. Spill something or break something, it's just part of the journey.'

Jacky says Lauren's brief was for a large family home with great areas for entertaining. 'The roof is broken into smaller sections so it never feels like a mansion,' explains Jacky. 'The rooms are warm and personal to reflect Lauren and her family, each designed especially for its function, although they flow into each other.'

Jacky introduced the Cape Dutch vernacular in the external chimney stack, which is of hand-tooled stone. Her smart domestic suggestions, with entertaining in mind, included the location of the drinks fridge not far from the pool, a long, thin ironing table of oak on castors so it can easily become an extra table and two dishwashers instead of one.

Landscape architect Tirzah Webb designed the French country-style garden, maximising views and screening neighbours' roofs while creating an abundance of sumptuous greenery that softens the strong lines of the house. Undulating slopes became levels and various intimate areas were established and contain urns and garden benches from Lauren's previous home.

ABOVE, FROM FAR LEFT 'Family is the most important thing in my life,' says Lauren, pictured here with her daughters Juliette and Sophia; the lamps, dresser and baskets in the entrance hall are from Block & Chisel (blockandchisel.co.za) and the silk Persian carpet is from Gonsenhausers (finerugs.co.za). Lauren's favourite place to unwind is the potager created for her by landscaper Heimo Schulzer (hsgardens.co.za); most of the dining-room furniture is by Moorgas & Sons working with interior designer Georgina Bagg, using fabrics by Mavromac (mavromac.co.za).







'The main garden required earthworks and stylising,' says Tirzah. 'We kept it simple, yet bold and dramatic like the view of the mountain. The pool and its terrace garden were positioned to be appreciated from all angles, whether braaiing outside or dining on the main veranda or in the conservatory.'

A cheerful line-up of mop-head trees leads to the front door, large troughs spill over with colourful flowering plants and water features provide a tinkling soundtrack. Naturally France pops up again in the potager. At its heart rises a small fountain column from a pool enclosed by low, square bagged-brick walls. Granadillas climb over a wooden structure surrounded by vigorously growing edible vegetation. It's a place where Lauren can sit on a bench in the midst of fragrant foliage or pick her favourite roses.

Lauren's so content in this lovely home she says she hates having to leave it: 'I would happily spend every minute of the day here.' Georgina Bagg Interiors, geoginabagg@law.co.za; Jaclyn Cattell, jackycattell@telkomsa.net; Tirzah Webb, tirzah@mweb.co.za. This property is available for holiday rentals through Perfect Hideaways, perfecthideways.co.za.

ABOVE, FROM LEFT Perfume flacons adorn the top of an antique walnut cabinet in the living room; the main bathroom opens up on to the stoep and has a bath by Victorian Bathrooms (victorianbathrooms.co.za). OPPOSITE Ceramic tiles from Chinaworks cover the walls of the outside shower and the floor features wood-effect ceramic tiles by Italcotto (italcotto.co.za). The shower head is from Victorian Bathrooms.





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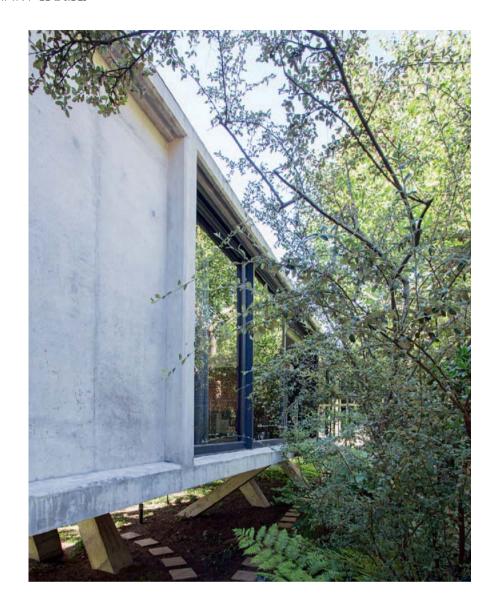




LAUREN'S HOME TRUTHS

For me luxury is spending a weekend cooking with my girls and having the time to lie in a bubble bath reading by candlelight. The most luxurious thing I've ever bought is an antique chest with a full set of sterling-silver cutlery. What I like about Constantia is the rural feeling and being surrounded by trees, fields and mountain views. I like to relax with friends by having them over for lazy afternoon braais, with children running around, wine flowing and music playing. When entertaining I plan well in advance, from the menu and drinks to the decor and flowers. I set the table the day before so I can mingle and I prepare food without formality. I always make sure the bathrooms are full of fresh flowers and lit candles. In winter the first thing I do when I arrive home is light a fire and pour a glass of wine, then I start preparing dinner. My daughters usually decide in the car on the way to school in the morning what they want for dinner - curry, soup, Mexican food, steak - so we all have something to look forward to at the end of the day. Our favourite way to relax together is with a puzzle. The music you are likely to hear in this house is completely eclectic, everything from Mozart to Ella Fitzgerald and Taylor Swift. In decor I draw the line at extreme abstract art. Paintings have to be beautiful, gentle and in no way unnerving. I can't do without lovely, expensive linen and scented candles. The most unpredictable thing I've ever done is to put on my pointe shoes and dance at a dinner party.

ABOVE, FROM FAR LEFT The bunk bed unit is from The Room (theroomfurniture.co.za); the mirrors in the guest bathroom are from MRP Home (mrphome.com) and the cabinet is actually a bedside table from Block & Chisel on which Lauren put a marble top and basin, and plumbing inside, while still managing to keep the drawers; the headboard in the master bedroom is by Moorgas & Sons in a fabric by Mavromac and the embossed cotton bed cover is from MRP Home; the bed and the bedside table in the guest bedroom are from Block & Chisel.



FOREST SPIRIT

FOR THE OWNER OF THIS HOME THAT SEEMS TO FLOAT AMONG THE TREES IN LEAFY HIGGOVALE, THE BIGGEST LUXURY IS LIVING WITH NATURE

TEXT CATRIONA ROSS STYLING MIA VINCENT PHOTOGRAPHS JAC DE VILLIERS





APETONIAN GRANT BACON HAD LONG KNOWN THAT HE WANTED TO LIVE ON THE STEEP, LUSH SLOPES OF HIGGOVALE BELOW TABLE MOUNTAIN.

The quiet residential area offered forested seclusion pierced only by bird calls, with ethereal mists in autumn and shelter from the summer South Easter.

When a large Higgovale plot was subdivided, Grant, a sales and marketing director for a deep-sea trawling company, viewed the newly available property situated on a hairpin bend in a road. Though it made his heart beat faster it was beyond his budget so he continued his search. A year later he happened to see the very plot on the front page of a newspaper property section at a greatly reduced price. 'I phoned immediately, put in an offer and that was it,' he smiles.

Grant had a vision of exactly the type of house he wanted to build: a long, simple oblong in cast concrete, glassed in on its long sides, inspired by Brazilian architect Marcio Kogan, whose houses he'd admired in São Paulo. Instead of hiring an architect, Grant worked with friend André Carl van der Merwe, a multi-talented artist, author and architectural and interior designer. It was André's inspired suggestion to raise the 24×7-metre structure on concrete columns instead of anchoring it to the ground. 'The idea was that the house should float between the trees,' explains Grant. In conjunction with a structural engineer the 18-month building process began in August 2011.

All services now run through eight diagonally placed columns, which open up forest-floor space beneath the house: ▷







here Grant plans to create a lounge area and a summer kitchen with a 10-seater table. Garden designer Franchesca Watson is on board to cultivate a wild, forested garden with mosses, ferns and other shade-loving plants, eventually to conceal glimpses of the road with greenery. Even the garage is invisible: sunk into the ground it's accessed from the road below; Grant enters his house via a forested pathway snaking under the house.

One steps from an elevated wooden walkway into the grown-up tree house, awed by the proximity of trees and the scent of mountain air. The symmetrical layout comprises an open-plan living area in the middle, a bedroom with bathroom at each end and sliding doors running the length of each side to open the house almost completely. Indeed, when the

glass doors are pushed back, an expansive 16-metre opening is created, framing views of trees, Lion's Head and Signal Hill.

A serious hobby photographer who's held exhibitions, Grant has hung large prints from his travels throughout the house. His artistic eye and attention to detail are evident, too, in the decor choices. 'I got my colour inspiration from the stone pine in front – the browns and oranges on the bark. I wanted to bring the outside inside and let it all blend in,' Grant explains. For floors and walls, wood and wallpaper were used for their warmth instead of tiles.

Minimalist and seamless, this is a house where doors are hidden, sliding into cavities between rooms, and handles have no place: all units operate with a push-andrelease opening mechanism. Everything functional, whether a DVD player or the kitchen coffee station, is concealed in storage areas recessed into walls. True to the owner's nature, each element has been carefully considered, from the light switch plates to the show-stopper woodpile feature wall around the fireplace – André's 'brainwave' while driving behind a truck transporting logs.

From his house in the trees Grant observes guinea fowl, the circling African hawk-eagle, sunbirds, Cape white-eyes and squirrels. Owls can be heard hooting at night and twice he has encountered a porcupine in the road before dawn when heading to the gym. 'What a privilege to live next to a nature reserve,' Grant says. 'I'll never move or sell. This is my dream house.' Grant Bacon Photography grantbacon.co.za; André Carl van der Merwe 083-700-4465, andre@andrecarl.com





GRANT'S HOME TRUTHS

My concept of luxury is that it's the refinement of living rather than a necessity. The most luxurious feature of my house is being able to bring nature into the house. I don't have a single favourite room when the interior doors are open and hidden in their cavities the house is one space. The first thing I do when I get home is greet the kids (my cats and dogs). What I love about South Africa is the diversity of its nature and people. My favourite way to enjoy winter is in bed with a good movie. My best piece of design advice is... keep it simple and timeless. My most treasured furniture pieces are my Ralph Lauren chairs. I could never live without Paulina, my friend and housekeeper, and physical exercise. My most rash purchases are aeroplane tickets. The soundtrack to my perfect weekend is MTV Unplugged by Florence and the Machine. My most inspiring place is Italy: its people, food, fashion, art and architecture. My favourite shop is Lim. My top Cape Town dining spots are The Test Kitchen, Chefs Warehouse & Canteen, and Kyoto Garden Sushi. In my fridge there's always peanut butter and wine. I have a natural talent for finishing whatever I start. I'm inspired by the goals I set for myself.













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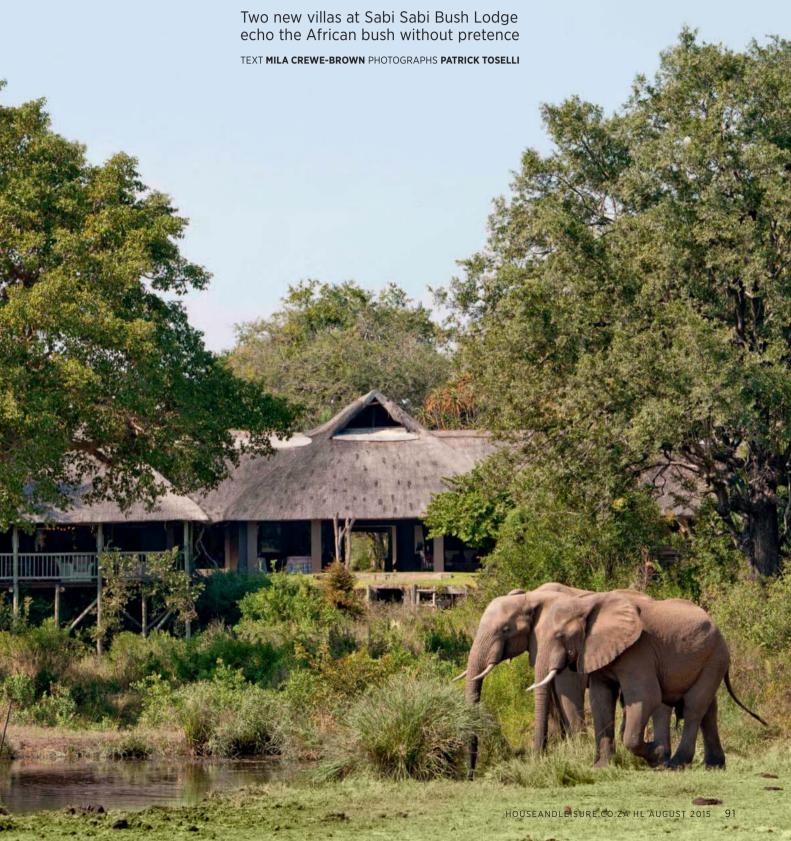
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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT On occasion breakfast is set up under an old tree in the open veld at Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge; the large dressing room; the living room and patio beyond it; toppled Leadwood trees repurposed as decorative columns. PREVIOUS PAGE A pair of elephants at the watering hole just metres from the lodge deck.









estled in the southwest section of the Kruger National Park in the Sabi Sands Game Reserve, Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge heralds a transformation of luxury. It's a move that indicates the acclaimed establishment is focusing on contemporary comfort and connecting the guest with what's outside – a fresh take on safari style with none of the usual clichés.

Reached by a dirt pathway lined with fever trees and giant euphorbias, the villas emerge unassumingly at the end of the trail, each one claiming its own private view of the encroaching bush. In their approach, design duo Tessa Badenhorst and Patricia O'Hare of Classic Concepts have done away with anything that speaks to a themed Africa, opting instead for layers of texture and a neutral tone-on-tone palette. 'It's about luxury without losing the natural elements that the bush has to offer,' says Tessa.

The interior taps into its natural surrounds, offering an honest connection to the very thing that guests come to see – wildest Africa. Material, colour and form have all been re-evaluated in an effort to appeal to the modern-day safari goer with layers of taupe, slate and driftwood marrying cane, canvas and wood.

The suites on either side of the light-infused lounge exude low-key luxe with contemporary four-poster beds, screed floors and sisal rugs. Even the Bamileke stool – an icon of African design – is brought into the present alongside an assortment of other more clean-lined pieces. Then there's the capacious master bathroom that juts out into the open veld, and is glassed in on three sides with an outdoor shower, indoor shower and twin slipper baths to choose from.

Guests are spoilt with the selection of game at the reserve – and better yet – the



lodge. During our stay we returned from a morning game drive to find a large herd of elephants, two rhinos, a pair of mudencrusted buffalo and a dazzle of zebras all cooling themselves at the watering hole 100 metres from the lodge deck.

The addition of the villas has taken Bush Lodge in a new direction by respectfully referencing the bush rather than imitating it. You'll find no zebra-print textiles here and no dark timber manifestation of colonial era Africa. Luxury is channelling its cooler side and glitz and glam are no longer its only bedfellows.

Gabi Sands Game Reserve, sabisabi.com. Airlink offers double daily flights from Joburg to Skukuza, Kruger, daily flights from Cape Town and daily lodge flights directly to the exclusive Sabi Sabi airstrip.



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cosy winter retreat

Enjoy good food and a welcoming atmosphere at The Palms Market in Woodstock come rain or shine

TEXT CLAIRE HENDERSON PHOTOGRAPHS ADAM LETCH

WHAT? An intimate indoor food market in Cape Town's uber-trendy Woodstock, The Palms Market is the perfect place for Capetonians who are looking to escape the rainy weather and grab some delicious, freshly prepared grub on Saturdays between 9am and 3pm.

WHO? Expect a broad spectrum of city dwellers enjoying the laid-back vibe, live music and food. You'll find families that have gathered for a spot of brekkie and to catch up after a long week, designsavvy locals who'll probably head into one of The Palms' reputed decor stores, from Coricraft and Forest Flooring to U&G Fabrics and Gonsenhausers Fine Rugs, or galleries, including On Site Gallery and SMAC Art Gallery, after a meander through the stalls (glass of wine and something scrumptious in tow) and the local crochet circle crocheting blocks for The Haven Night Shelter at Moira Henderson House.

WHAT TO EXPECT The Palms transforms into a bustling foodie paradise and with over 40 food traders to choose from you're guaranteed to leave feeling satisfied. You'll be welcomed like a local no matter where you're from.

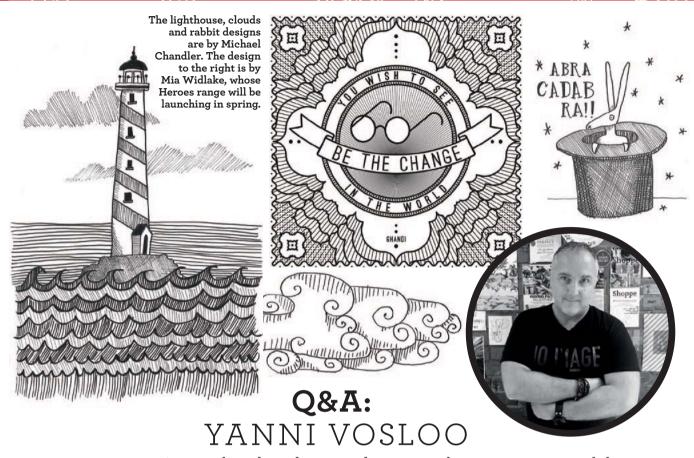
DON'T LEAVE WITHOUT... sampling the cuisine as this little market is any

foodie's dream. For breakfast, enjoy a tasty bacon-and-egg roll from The Diner or, for the more adventurous, a Breakfast Beast from Beast Food Co. (eggs Benedict with chorizo, fresh rocket and hollandaise on an English muffin - yum). If you're there for lunch, a lamb-shank curry pie from Nellie's Pies is the way to go. To keep warm, grab a cappuccino from U&Me and satisfy that sweet tooth with a plate of Nutella and cream poffertjies (mini Dutch pancakes) or a home-made milk tart from Works of Tart. If you have any special dietary requirements, fear not. Diabetic Treats has an array of delicious sugar-free snacks, while Gauranga Foods is on hand to fill up any vegan and vegetarian visitors. If you're looking to take some goodies home with you stop by Craig's Table on your way out and purchase some fresh fruit and veggies hand-picked by the man himself.

X-FACTOR That it's indoors means you'll still be able to get delicious fresh produce without sparing a thought for any downpours outside. There's ample free undercover parking, too, so browsing the surrounding decor, design and lifestyle shops and galleries is a must after you've had your fill. \(\triangle \triangle \triangl



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MRP Home's merchandise director discusses the MRP Home Colab project and *HL*'s Night Market

What do you think makes the MRP Home Colab project special?

The magic of our collaborations, besides the fact that they are beautiful, sits in the approach we take in the development of the ranges with the artists we work with. It is and always will be exactly what the name implies: we collaborate in a win-win relationship, rooted in mutual respect and with the vision to delight our customers with great South African design.

How did the Colab Collection come about and how has it evolved over the years? The germination of Colab stems back to when we were involved with *House and* The initial editions in November 2012 were multiple ranges from a few artists, each focused on a different product type, which evolved into coordinated ranges from a single designer, often taking their style into product types they had not worked with before. This was a big success with our customers as well as taking the design partners out of their comfort zones.

The latest evolution of Colab saw us working with designers each independently doing a design for a single product category, some of the proceeds of which are then donated through our MRP Foundation. The first was our immensely successful

'Great design should not be elitist. That became the driving force in the conceptualisation of Colab.'

Leisure's Young Designers competitions some years back. My biggest frustration at the time was that we didn't get to produce any of the fantastic designs for massmarket retail in our stores. Democracy of design is something I feel very passionate about, great design should not be elitist. That became the driving force in the conceptualisation of Colab.

Blanket Colab in 2014. We were delighted that the Mia Widlake blanket was included at the inaugural '100 Most Beautiful Objects' at 100% Design South Africa last year.

Why do people react so positively?

The project is honest, real and sustainable.
Colab promotes local talent on a national scale and exposes artists to the challenges of mass-market realities and the real challenges

of affordable design. At MRP Home it's a natural extension of the design journey we have been on for the past 10 years and I'm delighted that all our regular product is the work of our in-house design team.

How do you go about selecting creatives?

Adrienne Sparks, our trend and design manager, and I are focused on selecting designers who are relevant in the context of South African design, have shown consistency in their body of work and are the forerunners of emerging trends, represent an individual aesthetic and are open to new ideas and ways of doing things. Our instincts have been correct and we have an almost 100 per cent strike rate.

For the first time MRP Home will be showcasing a Colab Collection at *HL*'s Night Market. Why has MRP chosen to partner with *HL* in Cape Town?

The *HL* Night Market provides the perfect platform for us to interact with our design-savvy customers who are keen *HL* readers in an intimate environment.







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For over three and a half decades Sabi Sabi has been redefining luxury, not only with its exceptional accommodation options, mouthwatering cuisine and first-class hospitality but with the surprising simplicity that is at the heart of the experience offered by this home away from home in the bush.

It's humbling being able to be out in the expansiveness of Africa's unfenced bushveld enjoying spectacular close-up encounters with the Big Five in open vehicles. It's also a privilege being able to see a sleek leopard picking its way through the grass, witness a tiny dung beetle battle uphill, or watch birds from a beautiful vantage point. Then there are the spectacular sunrises and blazing sunsets, which bring the sudden onset of night and stargazing at the endless skies....

These unforgettable moments – in which you can drink in the sights, sounds and smells that only the African bush can offer – are what encapsulate the luxurious splendour that is a stay at Sabi Sabi.

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giancarlo pironi

This Cape Town based cook is all about Italian cooking and has been known to whip something up on a desert island

TEXT JESSICA ROSS PHOTOGRAPHS JAC DE VILLIERS

f you ask me, as we ask our chefs, about my most memorable meal, I'd tell you it was on a weekend away with my highschool friend, Jackie. Her brother prepared a seafood platter that was as simple a Sunday lunch on the Cape coast as they come but in its understated provenance it was perfection. A decade later, on planning this piece, I excitedly texted Jackie, 'OMG, is your brother Giancarlo Pironi?'

'Food is memories.' Giancarlo tells me when we're talking about his new seasonal eatery, Popupitalian, and I recall my first taste of scallop freshly prepared by him all those years ago. Joburg foodies will know Giancarlo from Assaggi, which he ran with his mother Luciana Righi. The unassuming Italian restaurant started

00 flour, free-range eggs (certified), fresh herbs (from the garden), good chocolate, glass-bottled water and a few bottles of good wine. If you were a drink what would it be? Sangiovese wine - robust, honest, real, uncomplicated. What was your most memorable meal? That's like asking which thing that comes to mind, though, was the fresh sea urchins I had in Sardinia long ago (in Cagliari by the seaside) from a street vender with his own Vernaccia. Current favourite restaurant? The Duchess of Wisbeach in Cape Town. If you could take only five food items with you to a desert island, what would they be? I have been to deserted islands before and that was not planned. Fortunately they





small in the Post Office Centre in Illovo but soon grew to be one of the most loved and lauded restaurants in the city. 'My mother is a great influence on my career, but my grandmother holds the memories,' Giancarlo says. In this family, love and flavour dominate: 'I spent most of my youth in the kitchen with my grandmothers. I still remember the aromas and the tastes of the things they used to keep me busy with: the stirring of pots, licking of bowls, bubbling of the stock pot - these are the memories that motivate my cooking.'

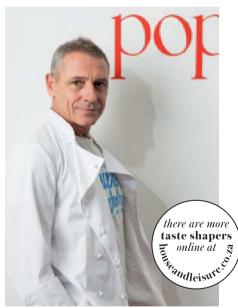
Whether in Popupitalian, which opens its doors again in August at Webersburg Wine Estate in Stellenbosch, or in private functions and events, Giancarlo strives to serve quality Italian fare and offer a dining experience that'll stay with you for years to come. **f** popupitalian1

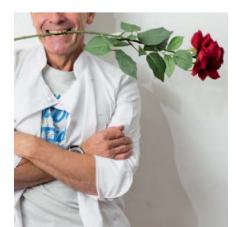
What tastes remind you of childhood? Cappelletti in Brodo and tagliatelle al ragù. What's always in your pantry? Olive oil, Parmigiano-Reggiano, chillies, garlic, anchovies, De Cecco dry pasta, Italian peeled tomatoes, pancetta, grissini (breadsticks),

were tropical isles and I made my own food from what the land offered. I would bring cold sake in a carton, chillies, soya sauce, a packet of De Cecco pasta and a tin of Italian tomatoes. What would be on the menu for your last meal? My handmade pasta with farm butter and Parmesan cheese. What's on your kitchen wish list? Copper pots. Do you have any culinary vices? A bad temper. What's your most used recipe book? Pellegrino Artusi's The Art of Eating Well. Not many people will know about it; it's very regional and written in old Italian. What's your favourite sandwich filling? Mortadella. What's your ultimate breakfast? My scrambled eggs - I separate the yolks and whites to be cooked in different stages - and real pancetta on my bread. I won't eat... for the sake of eating. What's the weirdest thing you've ever eaten? Mopane worms. What wine are you enjoying right now? DeMorgenzon Maestro. Who are your foodie icons? Besides my grandmother, Rick Stein, Marco Pierre White and Pellegrino Artusi. What's your signature dish? Fegato alla Veneziana (Venetian-style calf liver). Advice for aspiring chefs? If you don't like to swear, sweat and cry this is not a job for you.









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LOCAL LEGEND

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HUBBARD SQUASH RISOTTO WITH BUTTERMILK LABNEH, TOASTED PUMPKIN SEEDS AND CRISPY PARMESAN CHEESE

for the buttermilk labneh 250ml buttermilk a pinch of salt for the crispy Parmesan cheese 80g Parmesan cheese, finely grated for the toasted pumpkin seeds 82g pumpkin seeds 25ml canola oil salt, to taste for the risotto 130g unsalted butter (cube 80g of it) 1 onion, finely diced 250ml white wine 300g arborio rice 500ml vegetable stock, heated 500g Hubbard squash purée (recipe opposite) 100g Parmesan cheese, grated salt, to taste 20ml lemon juice fresh herbs, such as parsley, to serve Prepare the buttermilk labneh the day before. Pour the buttermilk over a muslin cloth that has been tied around a plastic container. Leave it overnight to ensure that you catch all the whey that will drip. The next day remove the muslin carefully, place the thick buttermilk in a bowl and add the salt, then set it aside.

To prepare the Parmesan cheese, preheat the oven to 140°C. Line a baking tray with baking paper, place the cheese on top and bake until it is golden brown. Let it cool before breaking it into smaller pieces.

Prepare the pumpkin seeds by heating the oil in a medium pan, then slowly adding the seeds and toasting them until they turn light brown and start to pop. Transfer the seeds to kitchen towel to remove the excess oil and season with salt.

To prepare the risotto, melt 50g of the unsalted butter in a pot, then add the onion and cook it until it is translucent. Add the white wine, let it reduce slightly, then add all the rice and mix through.

Turn down the temperature to low. Slowly add the vegetable stock one ladle at a time, stirring the liquid through until it has been absorbed thoroughly before adding another ladle. Continue until the rice is soft but has a bit of a crunch in the centre, which should take about 10 minutes.

Add the hubbard squash purée, the 80g of cubed, unsalted butter, the grated Parmesan cheese, a pinch of salt and the lemon juice. Stir to ensure the ingredients are well mixed, then do a final tasting to check if more salt is needed.

Scoop the risotto into a serving bowl (or hubbard squash halves, with their flesh removed, if you wish to be creative) and garnish it with the labneh, toasted pumpkin seeds, crispy Parmesan cheese and fresh herbs. **SERVES 4**

HUBBARD SQUASH AND NUTMEG CUSTARD TART

for the pastry case
200g unsalted butter
100g caster sugar
335g flour
2 eggs
2g salt
for the hubbard squash custard
250ml cream
60g caramel sugar
a pinch of salt
500g hubbard squash purée
(recipe opposite)
3 eggs
1 egg yolk
5ml ground nutmeg

To prepare the pastry case, cream the butter and sugar in a mixer until it is light. Slowly add half the flour followed by the eggs, while you mix on the slowest speed, then finally add the rest of the flour and the salt and mix until you form a dough. Remove the dough and place it on a work surface. Knead it for two minutes until it forms a ball. Wrap it in clingfilm and place it in the fridge to rest for 30 minutes before you use it.

Preheat the oven to 160°C. Roll out the pastry and use it to line four tart tins. Place them in the freezer for 20 minutes. Line each pastry case with baking paper and fill them with dried beans or rice. Blind bake the cases for 20 minutes, then remove the beans or rice and let the cases cool.

To prepare the custard, preheat the oven to 130°C. Slowly heat the cream, sugar and salt in a pot until the sugar has dissolved. Remove the pot from the heat. Mix the purée, eggs and egg yolk in a bowl, then add this to the cream and mix thoroughly.

Pour the custard into the baked tart cases, dust the nutmeg on top, and bake for 30 to 40 minutes or until the custard has set.

HUBBARD SQUASH AND GINGER BREAD

100g whole-wheat flour

125g cake flour 7ml baking powder 2ml bicarbonate of soda 5ml fine salt 5ml cinnamon 350g hubbard squash purée (recipe opposite) 250ml canola oil 300g treacle sugar 3 eggs 80g walnuts, toasted and roughly chopped 60g glacé ginger, chopped 20g sunflower seeds jam or marmalade and unsalted butter, to serve

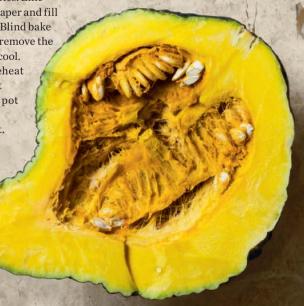
Preheat the oven to 180°C. Mix the wholewheat flour, cake flour, baking powder, bicarbonate of soda, salt and cinnamon in a bowl.

Whisk the hubbard squash purée, oil, 250g of the treacle sugar and eggs in an electric mixer. Fold in the dry ingredients, as well as the walnuts and glacé ginger, until the mixture is smooth.

Pour the mixture into a lined bread tin. Sprinkle the remaining 50g treacle sugar and the sunflower seeds on top. Bake for an hour.

Serve with jam or marmalade and unsalted butter. MAKES ONE LOAF \triangle

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CHARRED LETTUCE. APPLE AND **CUCUMBER SALAD**

1 iceberg lettuce or 4 baby gem lettuces 1 fennel bulb

2 apples, sliced

1 small cucumber, sliced

2 cups chunky toasted ciabatta croutons

100g cremezola cheese

1/3 cup buttermilk

2T Italian white-wine vinegar

1T honev

Slice the iceberg lettuce into quarters (or halves if you are using baby gem lettuces). Slice the fennel bulb lengthways into five millimetre-thick pieces.

Char the lettuce and fennel over a high heat on a Weber braai or using a grill pan.

Place the apple and cucumber slices on a large platter with the charred lettuce, fennel and croutons.

Blend the cheese, buttermilk, vinegar and honey to form a dressing and serve it drizzled over the salad. SERVES 2-4

CRISPY LIME CHICKEN TOSTADA WITH CHARRED SALSA

½ cup fresh coriander leaves

½ cup plain yoghurt

zest and juice of 2 limes

4 skinless chicken-breast fillets

½ red pepper

½ yellow pepper

1 red onion, cut into quarters

250g baby Rosa tomatoes

1 green chilli

1 large corn on the cob

olive oil

1T red-wine vinegar

a pinch of caster sugar

4 tortillas

1 cup zesty guacamole

micro herbs, to serve

Chop half the coriander leaves and mix them with the yoghurt and lime juice and zest. Marinate the chicken overnight in this sauce.

To prepare the charred salsa, place the peppers, skin side up, onion, tomatoes, chilli and corn on the cob on a baking pan and grill until the vegetables are partially charred and roasted. Monitor them and remove those that char more quickly to ensure that they don't overcook.

Remove the seeds from the peppers and chilli, then chop all the vegetables roughly. Slice the corn kernels off the cob and add them to the vegetable salsa.

Mix the olive oil, vinegar, sugar and remaining coriander leaves. Gently toss this dressing through the salsa.

Char the chicken on a griddle pan until it is cooked through, then slice it into bite

Using a cookie cutter, cut out 16 mini tortillas from the four tortillas and dry fry them until they are toasted.

Top the mini tortillas with the salsa, chicken and guacamole and serve them immediately garnished with micro herbs. **SERVES 8 AS A STARTER**

CHARRED, HERBED BEEF AND BEETROOT CARPACCIO WITH **BEETROOT REDUCTION**

2 cups fresh herbs (fennel fronds. parsley, micro rocket and micro beetroot leaves), finely chopped, plus extra micro beetroot leaves for garnishing

zest of 1 orange

1T mixed peppercorns

1t toasted cumin seeds

1t toasted coriander seeds

1t Maldon salt

2T olive oil

1kg beef fillet, trimmed

3 red and/or yellow beetroots, peeled

ice water

1 cup beetroot juice

1 cup orange juice

½ cup sugar

1 tub (250g) crème fraîche

100g goats' cheese

1T honey

Mix the herbs and orange zest. Set it aside.

Crush the peppercorns, cumin, coriander seeds and salt using a mortar and pestle until they are finely ground. Pour this seasoning onto a plate. Rub olive oil all over the fillet and then roll it in the seasoning until it is well covered.

Heat a non-stick pan over a high heat and sear the fillet for eight minutes, making sure to turn it every two minutes.

Remove the fillet from the pan, roll it in the fresh herbs to coat it completely and then wrap it tightly in clingfilm. Freeze it for 15 minutes to help it to firm up.

To prepare the beetroot carpaccio, slice the beetroot finely using a mandolin or electric slicer. Add a little ice water and then refrigerate this until you're ready to use it.

Make a beetroot reduction by bringing the beetroot juice, orange juice and sugar to the boil, then reduce the liquid to half or until it is syrupy.

Remove the beef from the freezer and finely slice it into wafer-thin rounds. Place these on a platter with the beetroot carpaccio, drizzle the beetroot reduction on top and garnish with the beetroot micro herbs. Mix the crème fraîche, goat's cheese and honey and serve this on the side. **SERVES 8-10 AS A STARTER**

HONEY-GIN NAARTJIES WITH **COCONUT-LIME SORBET**

for the poaching liquid

1 cup water

½ cup sweet orange juice

2T honey

1T Inverroche Gin Amber

2 drops orange-blossom water,

or to taste

½ cup sugar

for the naartijes

4 naartjies or any soft-peeling citrus

1/4 cup honey

4T treacle sugar

for the coconut-lime sorbet

3 cups water

1 cups coconut milk

1½ cups sugar

½ cup lime or lemon juice

Bring the poaching-liquid ingredients to a slow boil and add the naartjies. Cover, reduce the heat to a simmer and poach the fruit for five to eight minutes. Remove the naartjies from the liquid and set them aside. Reduce the liquid by half or until it is syrupy.

Place the naartjies on a baking tray, drizzle the honey on top and dust with treacle sugar. Place the tray under a hot grill until the sugar has caramelised or, alternatively, use a blowtorch.

To make the sorbet, bring all the ingredients to a boil in a pot, then let the mixture cool completely in the fridge.

Churn the mixture in your ice-cream maker according to the manufacturer's instructions. Serve the naartjies with scoops of the sorbet and the poaching liquid drizzled on top. **SERVES 4**

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CITRUS-AND-VODKA-CURED SALMON WITH CUCUMBER-DILL GRANITA

for the salmon
1½ cups coarse sea salt
2T caster sugar
zest of 2 oranges
zest of 2 lemons
2T vodka
1.5kg side of salmon, pin boned
1 cup mixed fennel fronds and dill,
finely chopped
for the cucumber-dill granita
¼ cup vodka
¼ cup water
½ cup caster sugar
1 large English cucumber, peeled
and deseeded

To prepare the salmon, pulse the salt, sugar, citrus zest and vodka in a food processor until the ingredients have just combined.

1/4 cup dill

Place the salmon on a large tray and rub the fennel and dill all over, then cover the salmon completely in the salt mixture before wrapping it in clingfilm.

Weigh down the salmon using another tray with a heavy object on top and place this in the fridge for 24 hours to cure.

To make the granita, bring the vodka, water and sugar to a simmer in a pot. Stir until the sugar has dissolved, then set the syrup aside.

Blitz the cucumber and dill in a food processor until it has puréed, then add the sugar syrup and blend through. Pour the liquid into a metal tray. Freeze the tray for two hours, then use a fork to rake the top of the granita to break up the ice crystals. Repeat this step at hourly intervals for three to four hours or until the granita has set.

Wash the cure off the salmon and pat it dry, then slice it thinly and serve it with the granita. SERVES 10–12 AS A STARTER \bigcirc











HE FIRST THING DUNCAN AND LIZ HENDERSON DID AFTER BUYING AN APPLE FARM IN THE ELGIN VALLEY IN 2002, SOME 70 KILOMETRES FROM

Cape Town, was fence the boundary and plant along it a hedge of scented, pale pink 'Albertine' roses. This would serve not only as a security barrier but as a romantic backdrop to their garden, a showcase for many of the English-style plants grown in their on-site nursery, Fairholme Plants.

They set about rebuilding the house and replanting the garden, creating a series of terraces. As Liz explains, 'the garden belongs to me, Duncs and Mary': all contribute to its maintenance and design, and their daughter Mary Maurel, an architect turned landscape designer, uses it as a canvas for her ideas.

Though Fairholme's garden may encompass 10 distinct areas the 'less is more' principle is nevertheless evident and the pared down approach is seen from the start: the driveway to the house is flanked by triplelayer borders of lavender, 'Iceberg' roses and clipped viburnum hedges. In the formal rose garden a mixture of yellow and white roses was initially planted but many were plagued by mildew, especially 'Antique Silk', and Duncan decided to rid this section of any rose requiring a special spray programme, instead filling it with Liz's beloved creamy roses, the virtually fail-safe Rosa 'Ivory Beauty', planted simply in boxed hedges of Myrtus communis, with peach pips scattered beneath them.

There are zones richer in colour too. From the pool terrace, a walkway with 'Iceberg' roses climbing over a pergola is underplanted with perennials grown in the nursery, including campanulas in many shades, aquilegias, asters, lobelias and pastel-coloured evening primroses. It leads to Duncan's personal favourite part of the garden, a colour burst of alstroemerias, dianthuses, pelargoniums and salvias.

Fairholme is a working garden from which plants may be dug up when nursery stocks are running low. Yet it's a place for laid-back family gatherings too, and an idyllic exploration zone for Mary's children, Thomas, 11, and Matthew, eight.

The long swimming pool is where the family members unwind on sun loungers and the grandchildren swim or play in the tree house. The stone wall alongside it, the only original garden feature the Hendersons retained apart from the pool, cascades with flowering shrubs in pinks, blues and white. 'Before we started, [garden designer] Franchesca Watson advised us to plant no more than seven types of plants on the bank above ▷



the swimming pool,' says Duncan. The Hendersons selected *Hebe* 'Wiri Joy', Cape May (*Spiraea cantoniensis* 'Flore Pleno'), *Rhaphiolepis x delacourii* 'Krischenia', *Polygala fruticosa* 'Petite Butterfly' and *Teucrium fruticans*, as well as clipped balls of white-flowering rock roses (*Cistus*) placed next to smaller balls of *Westringia* to provide visual anchors.

'We're very interested in ornamental

'We're very interested in ornamental grasses as an extension of perennials,' says Duncan of the patch of grasses linking the swimming pool to the rest of the garden. Grasses are trending internationally, he notes, and his nursery has seen 'tremendous sales' to local landscapers.

In 2013 Duncan pulled out the over-tall Gaura in the parterre garden, leaving only the hedges. He recalls, 'Mary said, "You can do so much better than that," and came out with her assistant Eduard and physically laid out new plants one pouring wet winter morning.' Mary's planting gives the effect of a meadow garden filled with wild flowers and grasses, predominantly Aristida junciformis. She included indigenous bulbs, such as tritonia, gladiolus, Dierama, chincherinchee, and late-flowering deciduous agapanthus. 'It's colourful in the spring but also magnificent in the autumn when the knee-length grass is in full flower and sways in the wind,' Duncan says.

Revisit the Hendersons' idyllic garden in a few months and something else may have been replaced or upgraded. Says Liz, 'Mary experiments and tries different things. It's continually being changed.' fairholmeplants.co.za

Layers of green have a calming visual effect: here, lawn, agapanthus and *Spiraea cantoniensis* (Cape May) lead the eye to the plane trees on the boundary, and the orchards and vineyards beyond. ABOVE A profusion of orange hemerocallis (day lilies), *Cuphea* 'Firecracker' and *Euphorbia characias* subsp. *wulfenii* contrast with the purple of a *Prunus nigra* and grasses *Carex* 'Milk Chocolate' and *Calamagrostis* x *acutiflora* 'Karl Foerster' in the background. RIGHT The delicate colours of *Verbascum chaixii* 'Album'.











LEISURE TRAVEL





ou only need one of these,' says our Chinese taxi driver, pulling at the collar of his shirt. 'One shirt, no jersey – all year round!' Beyond the air-conditioned capsule of the Lexus it's an eye-popping 34 degrees, with humidity hovering at around 90 per cent. It reminds me of Durban in February but with the volume turned way, way up. On the equator's cusp, covered in extraordinarily lush vegetation and riddled with skyscrapers, there's something distinctly schizophrenic about this island state. One minute you're in the serene lobby of the Shangri-La, having spent a night beneath a duck-down duvet fending off the blast-chiller air-con. Seconds later you're in a twilight zone of stifling clamminess, Ray-Bans all fogged up and your camera lens stubbornly refusing to focus. 'Singapore one temperature,' beams the cabbie. 'Hot and hot!'

This year is a significant one for the Lion City: its Golden Jubilee in August marks 50 years since it broke ties with Malaysia. In 1965, though, this was seen more as a crisis than a celebration. With no natural resources and an immigrant population without a shared national identity, the pint-sized state faced a host of challenges. We know now that it took just one generation to progress from an emerging nation to the first-world wunderkind of Southeast Asia. Today, what this sovereign state lacks in space it makes up for in its stunning verticality – an NYC on steroids, minus the winter and the hooting. It's a skyline that represents banking and shopping and petrochemical profits but, behind all the flash, it's an established meritocracy, with high levels of

service and religious tolerance. You will also find some of the best food on the planet here.

The skyline is what you notice first and its varied architecture is an intriguing part of Singapore's dichotomy. Amid flashes of older, more human-scale areas, such as Chinatown or Kampong Glam, the buildings of the past decade have given the city a completely new identity. Architect Moshe Safdie's Marina Bay Sands is a gravity-defying mixed-use marvel, which at first glance looks as though a submarine landed on the Joburg Gen. Rather than the standard cluster of towers over a mall, the architect wanted 'a building that is extrovert and connected to the city around it'. A stone's throw away, his bold design for the ArtScience Museum resembles a lotus-shaped spaceship about to take off.

In a dramatic declaration of green cred, the Supertrees at Gardens by the Bay bring to mind a futuristic fairground attraction. Soaring up to 50 metres high, the metal structures are cocooned in vegetation, functioning as rainwater harvesters and solar-power generators. The whole mad, wondrous forest comes alive during the twice-nightly self-powered light shows that are a sight to behold.

Singapore is a city that works. Getting around is a cinch, with some 28 000 taxis swooping in and out of designated ranks in orderly rows. Underground, untainted by graffiti, its MRT system is a hub of exacting, Swisslike efficiency. Each station connects to entire worlds of subterranean shopping – a seductive series of malls so awash with Vuitton, Vivier and Gucci that, quite frankly,



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it all becomes a bit of a blur. Above ground it feels as though someone lined up 10 Sandton Cities in a row and said, 'There you go, knock yourselves out.' Orchard Road is still the home of highend luxury and, though resolutely anti-mall, I'll admit to being a little taken by the Takashimaya centre. Less ostentatious, it whispers in the way of serious wealth. For the avidly acquisitive, The Shoppes at Marina Bay Sands boasts the city's largest collection of luxury jewellery and watches under a single roof.

Eating, of course, is one of the chief reasons we're here. 'Three words,' said an air-hostess friend who knows Singapore intimately, 'Satays, peanut sauce.' These prove to be outrageously delicious, especially with an icy Tiger beer, but then so does the Japanese rice-flour porridge that I stumble across one breakfast. Silky as a crème caramel, this cool white bit of heaven is topped with a palm-sugar reduction. In truth, though, breakfast could also be miso soup, kaya toast or

ABOVE, CLOCKWISE FROM OPPOSITE FAR LEFT Ion Orchard is the home of high-end luxury; one of Chinatown's several pedestrian streets; Lotus flowers for sale in Little India; bikes for hire at Tiong Bahru; the Marina Bay Sands overlooks the lotusinspired ArtScience Museum, both designed by Moshe Safdie; a Hindu shrine in Little India; deep-fried spinach leaves and bean curd with a Tiger beer. PREVIOUS PAGE Set on 100 hectares of reclaimed land, Singapore's Gardens by the Bay features a grove of Supertrees that mimic the functions of mature forest trees. A 128m-long walkway connects the structures.

noodles - or waffles or Nasi Goreng. The multi-cultural mix, which includes Malay, Indian and Chinese, has created an extraordinary food culture.

If costly high-end dining is your thing, you could try the hay-roasted Bresse pigeon at Jaan - the city's top spot for contemporary French cuisine. At the other end of the scale, for around R50 a plate, there's superb food to be found at the indoor markets. Lau Pa Sat becomes our favourite haunt, mostly for the braised beef-ball noodles but also for the finest naan this side of Durban. Somewhere in between there are countless small. personal eateries with fabulous food and service. Tess Bar & Kitchen was a happy find on Seah Street – with beautiful tapas and friendly neighbours who happily and inexplicably shared their Japanese whisky with us. When I told the maître d' my name (so I could legitimately nick a few coasters), a delicious cocktail promptly arrived out of the blue. ▷





IT'S A HEADY CULTURE CLASH, FROM THE VIBRANT BUSTLE AND COLOUR OF LITTLE INDIA TO THE 1930S HOUSING ESTATE OF TIONG BAHRU.

Visiting a rooftop bar is a must, not only to see the entire city unfold as you catch a rare wafting breeze but to people watch among the cool set. A frosty Tsingtao at the Lighthouse bar atop The Fullerton Hotel is a good start. Feeling just a little gangsta as though we hang here often sipping R200 beers we watch the late light turning peachy over the esplanade.

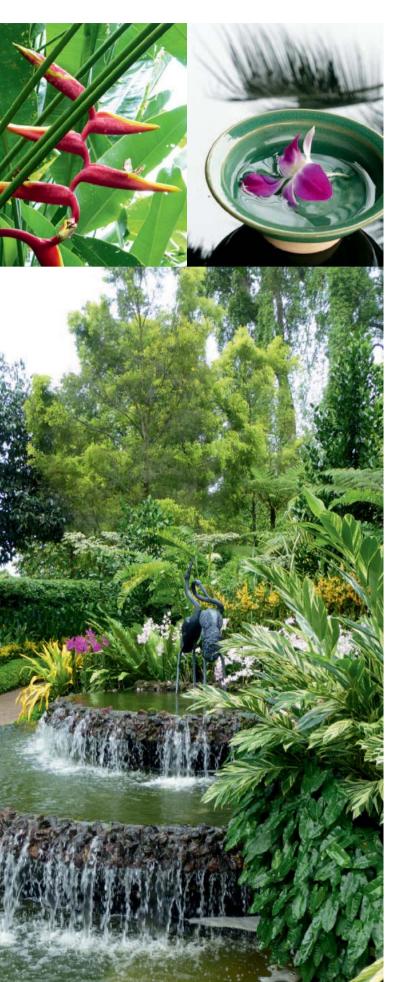
Later, strolling through a city of 5.5 million inhabitants, it's as though we're in a play land – a gleaming high-end metropolis where harsh realities such as mugging and dereliction barely exist. With zero-tolerance policies on littering and crime – fines for littering start at S\$300 (around R2 800) to a session of street-sweeping around Orchard Road – it's uber clean and safe – but, on the other side of the orderly coin, there's an unshakeable sense of being watched. 'Singaporeans have no privacy,' one taxi driver said in exasperation, 'CCTV is everywhere.' That's the contradiction – Big Brother is the necessary payoff for living without crime.

Skyscrapers aside, the older, smaller areas drew me right in. It's a heady culture clash, from the vibrant bustle and colour of Little India (don't miss the gaudily beautiful temple) to the 1930s housing estate of Tiong Bahru. The latter has become quite sought-after – a hip mix of conservation shophouses, government flats and condos. It's a bit like Umhlanga Rocks in the 1970s – low-rise, tropical and safe. Turns out it features some great indie shops, including the sublime Books Actually, which has an impressively eclectic range and resident cat.

On the last day I head to the city's botanical gardens, my favourite haunt of all. It's almost impossible to convey – a green, humid wonder filled with the most beautiful towering trees. I would go back just to stare at the orchids. The other attraction I'd love to see is the National Gallery, which opens in October. A combination of two iconic buildings – the former supreme court and the city hall, it promises to be a remarkable backdrop for the finest Southeast Asian and Singaporean art. Here's to the tropics and to the next 50 years. \Box

ABOVE, FROM LEFT Singapore has around 40 Hindu temples; some of the vividly painted shophouses in Little India.

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GETTING THERE

Singapore Airlines has daily flights from Cape Town and Johannesburg to Singapore. singaporeair.com South Africans don't need a visa.

SHOP LOCAL

Keepers: The Singapore Designer Collective showcases fashion and accessories. keepers.com.sg Zhai Eco Collection in Haji Lane is a cool store for bamboofibre basics. zhai.com.sg Kapok at the National Design Centre has good coffee and

edgy finds by emerging designers. ka-pok.com

MUST-SEE MUSEUM

Don't miss 'After Utopia' at the Singapore Art Museum – a stunning display of contemporary Asian art on until 18 October. singaporeartmuseum.sg

WEEKEND ESCAPE

Just 50 minutes by ferry, The Banyan Tree on Bintan Island is an idyllic weekend retreat.

CLOCKWISE, FROM TOP LEFT Heliconia flowers in the botanic gardens; orchid decoration; a colourful wall in Little India; a Valentino window display and Tod's metallic leather sneakers at Takashimaya shopping centre; the entrance to the orchid display at the botanic gardens.

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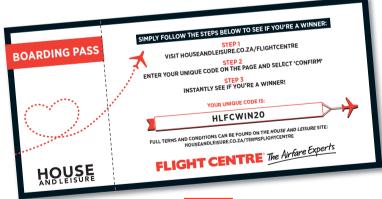
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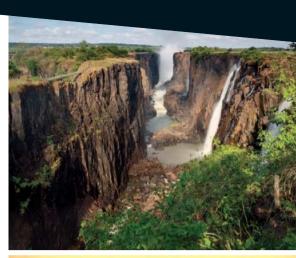
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THE TWELVE APOSTLES HOTEL AND SPA

WHERE? Victoria Rd, Camps Bay, Cape Town, 021-437-9000 WHY WE LOVE IT As Editor I have often sung the praises of the Red Carnation Hotel Collection (with hotels around the world) because of the guarantee of attentive service, unique, stylish and comfortable decor and location, location, location. The five-star The Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa delivers on all aspects of this promise. **X-FACTOR** This boutique hotel rates tops if you're looking for a luxurious, romantic getaway. Make sure you include a spa visit and sundowners on the balcony of The Leopard Bar overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. 12apostleshotel.com

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HACKLEWOOD HILL COUNTRY HOUSE

WHERE? 152 Prospect Rd, Walmer, Port Elizabeth, 041-581-1300
WHY WE LOVE IT The Eastern Cape and Downton Abbey
collide at this charming and timeless Victorian manor.
Hidden in the suburbs of Port Elizabeth, this country house
features an impressive collection of antiques and period-piece
furniture and is tastefully adorned with luxurious wallpaper,
fabrics and fittings. There's also a lush country-style garden,
complete with tennis court and swimming pool.
X-FACTOR There's nothing better than drinks around the fireplace
with a game of Chinese checkers before an evening of silver service
and fine dining in The Hacklewood Restaurant where dishes are
prepared with fresh, local produce, hacklewood.co.za



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HYATT REGENCY JOHANNESBURG

WHERE? 191 Oxford Rd, Rosebank, Johannesburg, 011-280-1234

WHY WE LOVE IT The high occupancy rate of this Joburg hotel is testament to it living up to the Hyatt Regency brand. Its location opposite the Gautrain's Rosebank Station makes it popular with business travellers, as does its consistently high service, sizeable rooms and conference facilities. The Lobby Lounge and The Terrace – Cigar & Wine bar have always been in favour with the city's jet set.

X-FACTOR The Amani Spa and the fabulous rooftop swimming pool are big draw cards but don't overlook oneNineone restaurant for a special dinner or a client meeting over lunch. johannesburg.regency.hyatt.com





STAART FARM

WHERE? Voor-Paardeberg, Paarl, Western Cape, 021-790-0972

WHY WE LOVE IT Sometimes you find a place that calls to mind all the romantic images that the words uttered by Meryl Streep in Out of Africa evoked: 'I had a farm in Africa'. Staart Farm is obviously not in Kenya but its majestic setting at the foot of the Paardeberg mountain, its historic homestead – all 'big, thick whitewashed walls, colonial verandas and comfy sofas' – and grand interiors certainly make you feel that South Africa is an amazing place.

X-FACTOR It sleeps 10, has huge lounge areas inside and out, and, as a working farm with cattle, horses and sheep, it's great for kids.

There's a vineyard, olive grove and magnificent vegetable garden. perfecthideaways.co.za



BELMOND MOUNT NELSON HOTEL

WHERE? 76 Orange St, Cape Town, 021-483-1000

WHY WE LOVE IT The Nellie needs no introduction to tourists and locals seeking a glamorous Cape Town hotel but many may not be aware that this grande dame's historic Helmsley Wing Suites have had a revamp. The New York based design studio Champalimaud has worked some real magic on the 18 suites with a colour palette of chocolate and camel, herringbone floors and soft furnishings all chosen to 'emulate the city's Cape Dutch heritage'.

X-FACTOR The hotel puts together interesting and affordable packages, which are worth looking out for. Likewise, the Chef's Table, right in the centre of the hotel's kitchens where you can see the chefs in action, is available for bookings of up to 12 people. mountnelson.co.za



SPA OF THE MONTH

With its considered, light-filled interior, treetop views and celebration of local products, such as Terres d'Afrique, the Spa at Four Seasons Hotel The Westcliff is something to experience. We recommend the Afrique in Harmony Balancing Massage with essential oils. The alfresco Après Spa and Westcliff Deli are two reasons to linger for the whole day. fourseasons.com/johannesburg



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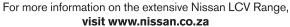
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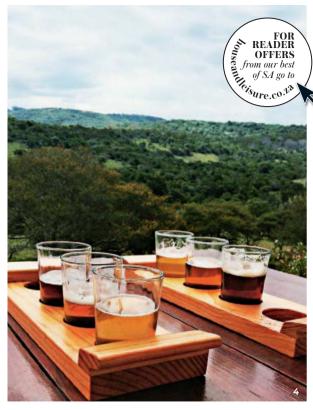
















MICROBREWERY

[noun] 'a limited-production brewery, typically producing speciality beers and often selling its products only *locally.*' - oxford english dictionary

DARLING BREW

With names such as 'Bone Crusher', an aromatic bitter withier, and 'Black Mist', a stout-style ale, there's nothing subtle about these craft beers. Darling Brew's original release, Slow Beer, is a satisfying blend of hops and honey that will slay any thirst on a hot summer's day. Containing four per cent ABV, you can drink the whole 550ml bottle. Although the beers are brewed off site you can still visit Darling Brew in the Swartland Valley for lunch at Slow Quarter, the brewery's taproom, paired with the four beers in its range. darlingbrew.co.za

2 UBUNTU KRAAL **BREWERY**

If we're right about former Heineken brew manager Ndumiso Madlala he's got the Midas touch, that's if Midas touched hops and barley. These golden crops have turned thousands of locals onto a little-known brew -Soweto Gold. Ndumiso may have started the first majority black-owned microbrewery in South Africa, based in Soweto's Orlando, but that's not what makes his beer so covetable - Soweto Gold brews are so fresh and smooth you could say they're the gold standard. sowetogold.co.za



Ubuntu Kraal Brewery is the first majority black-owned microbrewery in South Africa.



The per cent of ABV in Citizen beers.



175 000 The number of bottles hand bottled, labelled and boxed by Shongweni Brewery each year.

3 CITIZEN

There's a beer for everyone in Cape Town based Citizen's portfolio. Alliance, a mildly bitter amber ale, hooked beer aficionados and newbies alike when Gary Pnematicatos founded the brand in 2012. Saboteur, a golden IPA, stole the show when it was released shortly after. The last to hit the market, Diplomat, is a Czech Pilsner that is bitter and just a little sweet, too.

citizenbeer.co.za

4 EMERALD VALE You'll have to be prepared to travel to get your hands on the beers coming out of this little brewery in Chintsa, Eastern Cape. The four ales on the menu pale, golden, light and dark - are made using natural ingredients: rain water, malted barley, hops and yeast. emeraldvalebrewery.co.za

5 SHONGWENI **BREWERY**

Situated in the Shongweni Valley in Durban, this family-owned establishment brews under the brand name Robsons. Try the full range of Right beers including Upright Iron Monkey, an American pale ale, on a brewery tour offered on weekends and look out for the new oatmeal stout Tekwin Tokdosh.

shongwenibrewery.co.za

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SPA

[noun] 'a commercial establishment offering health and beauty treatment through such means as steam baths, exercise equipment and massage.' - oxford english dictionary

1 ONE&ONLY CAPE TOWN SPA

Whoever heard of a spa situated on its own lush island right in the heart of a thriving metropolis? The sequestered serenity of the One&Only Cape Town spa, a little oasis in the centre of the resort, somehow manages to make you feel miles away from the buzz of the bustling V&A Waterfront and CBD. With all treatments centred around the spa's three 'journeys' - 'unwind', 'restore' and 'elevate' - and influenced by African heritage and history - this award-winning spa is the go-to splurge for Mother City tranquility. capetown. oneandonlyresorts.com

THE SPA AT SAXON HOTEL, VILLAS AND SPA

Kick back, relax and rejuvenate at the Saxon Hotel, Villas and Spa in Jozi by sweating it out in a Byzantine-styled Rasul chamber or with a dip in the cold plunge pool surrounded by open fires. Guys can enjoy the 75-minute Urban Cleanse facial - a deep, revitalising treatment that detoxifies the skin. What better way to get your Zen on than with the good vibrations of unique sound therapy? The personification of sonic bliss, this treatment is performed on a heated water bed to the soothing melody of symbols, gongs, bells and Tibetan singing bowls. saxon.co.za

I THE GORGE SPA

The only thing to beat the serenity of the sandstone cliffs of Oribi Gorge on the South Coast of KwaZulu-Natal is a visit to the luxurious spa that overlooks it. The tranquility of The Gorge Private Game Lodge & Spa is as organic as the open air marula exfoliation or African-potato body wrap that this establishment offers. It will have you feeling at one with yourself and nature. thegorge.co.za

4 THE SPA AT THE TWELVE APOSTLES **HOTEL AND SPA**

You'll be stripped of worries as you descend the steps to the cavernous spa at The Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa in Cape Town. Standout experiences include the Rasul chamber, which is clad in mosaics and softly lit by 'starlight'. A visit might also involve an Arabic cleaning ritual that ends in a gentle, relaxing rainshower and, where there are side-by-side spa beds overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, romantic bliss is never far away. 12apostleshotel.com

5 KARKLOOF SAFARI SPA

Boasting a flotation pool, a reflection lounge and Roman baths, the Karkloof Safari Spa will realign your spine and your chakras. Not only that but the menu of facials will get your skin glowing and your mouth salivating with its avocado, passion fruit, Thai-melon and green-tea options. This, of course, is no problem at all when unlimited smoothies, snacks and light meals are included in the day package. karkloofsafarispa.com ▷

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COFFEE SHOP

[noun] 'a cafe serving coffee and light refreshments.'

2 DELUXE

COFFEEWORKS

- oxford english dictionary

WARM & GLAD

The Joburg House and Leisure team members are often found furiously tapping away at their laptops in this happening Craighall café, and it's not down to the free Wi-Fi (although we're not complaining). Warm & Glad is ground zero for creative types, networkers and design lovers. The barista makes a killer cortado, served European style in a short Duralex tumbler, and the small food menu - trv the 'Don't Choke' artichokes - keeps fans coming back for more. Spend enough time here and the staff members become like family. warmandglad.co.za

Coffee is serious business at Cape Town's Deluxe Coffeeworks but that's not very surprising when it has badass baristas putting some of the best coffee in the country into Italian cups. There are no frills here - you won't find caramel macchiatos, green-tea frappes or even food on the menu - just really good coffee. With five local shops and its coffee stocked in more than 30 of the hottest eateries, restaurants and cafés in town, Deluxe Coffeeworks is leading the culture craze in the Cape.

deluxecoffeeworks.co.za



Nicholas Christowitz, the co-owner of Father, designed the brand's typeface.



100 The number of coffee cherries in one Rosetta Roastery coffee cup.



Don't miss Warm & Glad's concept store. The Jungle. which sells decor and design goodies.

I FATHER COFFEE

Ever since appreciating good coffee became as de riqueur as untamed beards and sleeve tattoos. Father Coffee has been rounding up Joburg's coolest kids. It doesn't hurt that the beans - roasted on site are excellent, the timberclad space is as Scandi hip as they come (proven with a scroll through the @father_coffee Instagram feed) and the Saturday-morning buzz is unbeatable.

fathercoffee.co.za

4 ROSETTA **ROASTERY**

Jono le Feuvre and Rob Cowles don't look like scientists but the way they approach coffee is akin to tackling a complex formula. These guys understand terroir, they preach single origin and they sure know flavour. In this Woodstock roastery and café they also use the

best equipment they can get their hands on and that includes some meanlooking roasters, beakers and cold-drip makers.

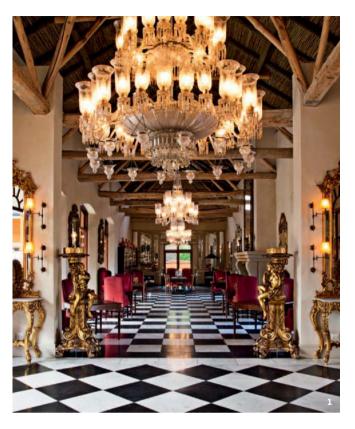
rosettaroastery.com

5 FACTORY CAFÉ

Durban's Factory Café is a little like a museum showcasing technology of the industry. It's housed inside a cavernous warehouse and its blends, such as Ethiopian Yirgacheffe, which is made with beans from on-site Colombo Coffee & Tea Roastery, are loved by locals. factorycafe.co.za

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BOUTIQUE HOTEL

[noun] 'a stylish small hotel, typically one situated in a fashionable urban location.'

- oxford english dictionary

LA RESIDENCE

Indulgence is the order of the day at La Residence in Franschhoek, whether you're in the Maharani suite, which is extravagantly soigné in turmeric satin pillows, a plush headboard upholstered in vintage linen and a king size bed elevated by regal marble steps, or the Tang suite, which is appointed in a palette of crimson and sage, and features antique Chinese furnishings. If you can tear yourself away from the luxurious interiors you'll be treated to some sensational winelands vistas from the expansive private balconies, where it's best to relax with a bottle of one of the region's finest wines. laresidence.co.za

2 BABYLONSTOREN

You could spend a week at this Simondium estate and never be tempted to venture outside the property. Babylonstoren has it all: moreish wines (they're great in a tasting after a vineyard tour); a swimming pool that is as inviting to adults as it is to the kids; a bountiful garden - home to hedgehogs, birds and bees - that is the heart of the estate and supplies its acclaimed restaurant, Babel, with fresh, seasonal produce; and a luxe spa. The farm hotel, housed in an old Cape Dutch building, offers whitewashed suites that are airy, elegant and utterly comfortable. There's nothing superfluous here, just pure luxury. babylonstoren.com

3 GRAND CAFÉ & ROOMS

A rhapsody of bohemian chic, this Garden Route bolt hole is filled with unique treasures, layered in fabrics and littered with vintage finds. It also takes in the memorable views of the Plettenberg Bay coastline, which you will be loath to appreciate from anywhere but the bath, where views are meant to be imbibed with generous sips of bubbly. grandafrica.com

4 ATHOL PLACE **BOUTIQUE HOTEL**

Interior designer Sumari Krige's flair for natural tones, textures and understated luxury is immediately apparent at this newly renovated Joburg estate. Each of the nine suites exudes subtle elegance with a light, contemporary palette and ohso-soft furnishings. On sunny days you'll spend free time luxuriating next to the pool but come night time it's the swank library/bar that guests are drawn to. morukuru.com/ places/atholplace-hotel

5 ELLERMAN HOUSE

If you're lucky enough to stay at this recently renovated art-filled Edwardian mansion in Bantry Bay you'll be treated to more than just the spectacular views. A choice hotel for celebrities, one of the biggest drawcards of Ellerman House is its reputation for putting the privacy needs of quests above all else and keeping the establishment closed to the public. The concierge team is deft at booking coveted tables at the city's best spots and the art collection is vast, with pieces by South African greats such as Walter Battiss and Irma Stern. ellerman.co.za 🗀

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1. Desk Lamp in Duck Egg R250, Woolworths 2. Statistocrat Floor Lamp in RAL 9005 by Atelier Van Lieshout for Moooi R78 075, Edge Interiors 3. Bestlite BL4 Floorlamp in Black/Chrome from The Bestlite Collection by Robert Dudley Best (produced by Gubi) R12 420, Tonic 4. Rookie Desk Lamp R6 555, Sutla Design 5. Olive table lamps by Numéro111 R14 770 each, Ligne Roset 6. Desk Lamp in Antique Silver R2 000, Sutherlands Home Furnishing 7. Oak Stained Ebony Tripod with Lamp Shade in Black R4 290, Lim 8. Letter A neon lamp from the Graphic Collection by Delightfull R57 036, Province Lighting 9. Jennifer lamp R599, Emerging Creatives 10. ASO1 table lamp R1 280, Lamps on Line 11. Casa standing lamp in White R1 599, @home. ▷



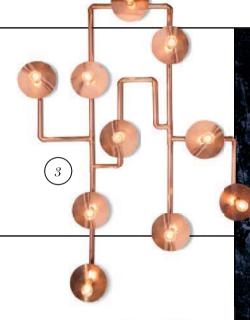
1. Molecule light R21 000, Hoi P'loy 2. FIT-BSL-PEND-XX-004 polished chrome and clear glass pendant light R595, Bathroom Bizarre 3. Wireflow 0299 hanging lamp from the Wireflow collection by Arik Levy for Vibia R37 805, Streamlight 4. M-KLCH-5011-60 6x Orange Glass Round Cluster R8 848, K. Light Import 5. Tetrahedron Pendant R799, Cinderwood 6. Belle d'I – Les Plissés 3100, Belle d'I – Les Plissés 3200 and Belle d'I – Les Plissés 3000 all in 19cm by Luc Vincent from the Belle d'I collection POR, Hind Rabii 7. Bella Vista set of 10 garden lights in black by Selab for Seletti R2 400, with Paralumi lampshades in _07742NER, _07743NER and _07744NER by Charlotte Juillard/Fabrica for Seletti R410 each, Generation.

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JOVAN GELDENHUYS FROM THE ARTISAN The new local designer who is breaking into the luxury market.

What got you interested in lighting design? While I was working as an architect, my partner, Ingrid Auret, and I realised that there were no attractive, locally made designer lamps available that are affordable. We saw a gap and I started experimenting with shapes using copper pipe. A few weeks later we launched our website and have been growing ever since. Tell us about your latest designs. I'm very excited about our Luxe range – it is a big leap into a different market for us. It's a more luxurious range in terms of materials used and the first time we have combined copper with another material. It feels exclusive and sophisticated. What materials are you using at the moment? Copper, combined with powder-coated steel and marble. We are also working on a range of wooden lamps. What shapes do you like to work with? Simplistic, minimalistic shapes that are not fussy and can work in any interior with any look. Which local lighting designers do you admire? David Krynauw and Pedersen + Lennard. Where do you go for lighting? Eagle Lighting is perfect for any kind of bulb you need. It's all over South Africa and carries a large variety of bulbs and whatever else you might need. the-artisan.co.za

1. Gyro LED pendant (19003) R6 000, The Lighting Warehouse 2. Semplice 226 table lamps in satin copper and black mat by Sam Hecht/ Industrial Facility for Oluce POR, A+I Unlimited Design 3. Source wall light R28 483, Okha 4. Halōs - Copper Table Lamp, Halōs - Brass Table Lamp and Halos - Dark Chrome Table Lamp (all plated steel) R1 940 each, Leg Studios 5. Cog Cone, Cog Stack and Cog Dome pendants in Gold by Tom Dixon R5 515 each, Créma Design 6. Table Lamp from the Luxe Range R1 700, The Artisan 7. Ozias chandelier in Golden (IPEN7074 1 GD) R2 099, Illumina. ▷

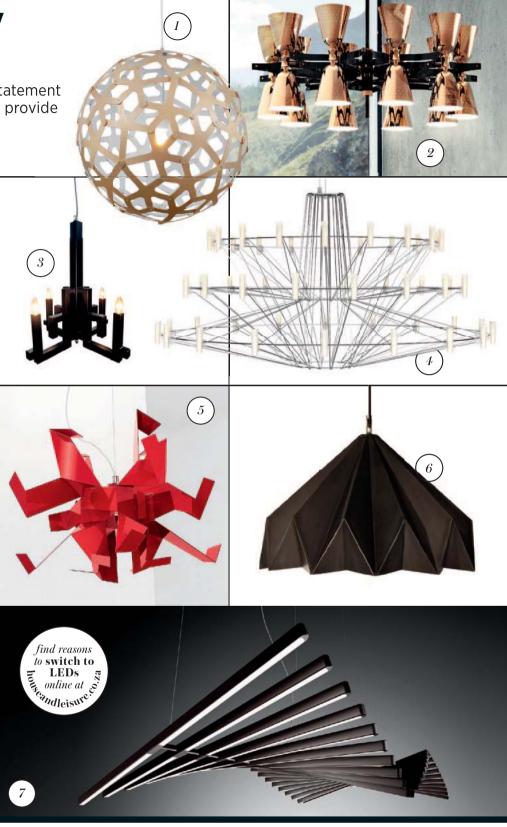
sculptural

These intricate, often abstract, statement lights are beautifully crafted and provide visual interest overhead.



JEANNE MARAIS FROM CINDERWOOD The new designer who is breaking into the local retail scene.

Why lighting design? My background is in graphic design so I have always had a keen interest in all things design. Lights are amazing because they can really change a space - they make a huge difference to how you feel in it - and I enjoy creating spaces that people really want to be in. Tell us about your projects to date. I was approached by Honest Chocolate Café and later Rosetta Roastery and the Brewers Co-op in Woodstock to make custom lights for them. The response was so overwhelmingly positive that I decided to create a lighting range for homes too. Tell us about your designs. I've always been fascinated by the underlying geometry in nature so all my products are based on geometric shapes. When I was approached to make custom lights it was because my products had a certain style. They wanted real statement pieces but something geometric and multifaceted. What materials do you enjoy working with? I'm currently working on a lighting range that will incorporate elements of wood and brass along with the glass, starting with some table lamps. Which local lighting designer do you admire? Hoi P'loy. Where do you go for lighting? Lim - I love its simplicity. cinderwood.co.za



1. Replica David Trubridge Coral Pendant Paint in Light Natural Wood and White (IPEN8008_400_WD_WT) R2 340, Illumina 2. Charles suspension hanging pendant in Black&Copper Plated by Delightfull R184 575, Province Lighting 3. Chandelier in Black powder-coated mild-steel body R19 950, Sutla Design 4. Coppélia suspended lamp by Arihiro Miyaki for Moooi R40 927, Edge Interiors 5. Glow Square pendant in red (RAL 3003) by Enrico Franzolini and Vincente Garcia Jimenez for Pallucco from R16 500, A+I Unlimited Design 6. Octagonal Origami Pendant R895, Weylandts 7. Rhythm 2122 in 2122-14/matt dark brown lacquer by Arik Levy for Vibia POR, Streamlight. △







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kitchen

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PRETTY AND CLEVER

It might seem a tad extravagant but we can't think of a more glamorous kitchen addition than the Smeg Golden Fab refrigerator (FAB28RDG, R44 999) – complete with Swarovski crystals on the door handle. Besides being lovely to look at it also boasts a A++ energy-consumption rating. smeg.co.za



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a good night out

With the winter chill setting in, Joburgers gathered en masse to enjoy home-grown talent at our two-day-long *HL* Night Market

Our 5th Joburg HL Night Market, in association with Fleur du Cap, kicked off on 28 May at the newly reincarnated Rosebank Mall Rooftop. Having increased in popularity since their creation, the HL Night Markets offer you – our readers – the very best in local artisanal and craft goods, inspired by the very same makers and influencers we feature on our pages.

For two nights (yes, it's that popular) market fans gathered to beat the Jozi chill and enjoy music, delicious drink and food, and an array of quality, hand-picked products in an environment that was buzzing with HL readers and friends who joined up for an evening out.

Grooving to beats by DJ Half 'n Half, everyone got a taste of the best that the city has to offer in terms of fashion, homeware, art and design with artisans such as Simon and Mary, Henriette Botha, Liberty Bespoke and Notation Design all under one roof. A host of food was also on offer, with stalls churning out delicious, freshly prepared treats, while Fleur du Cap and Thirst Bar Services ensured that no one was parched.









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Bellini



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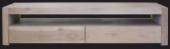


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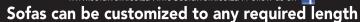
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A GOOD **NIGHT**

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OUTDOOR METROPOLIS

Smart shapes, modern finishes and generous dimensions make Dedon's Barcelona collection perfect for alfresco entertaining in the city. Featured here is the Barcelona dining table in Bronze with satinated glass top (R28 000, 2×1m) and Barcelona armchairs in Bronze (R16 000 each), all designed by Richard Frinier for Dedon and available at Cane Time. canetime.com

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NATURAL SPLENDOUR

Handcrafted from sustainably sourced timber and stonelike moulded reinforced concrete, designer Laurie Wiid van Heerden's Soma planters (from R15 950) are suited for indoor or outdoor use. The pots form part of a larger range of contemporary designs, each conceptualised by a local designer and made from natural materials, for Indigenus. indigenus.co.za

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COTTON

Steal a few hours from the weekend chores by curling up with a book on your bedroom chaise or chair. Add a cotton throw when the sun disappears. Try the 100 per cent Cotton Tie Dye Throw (R2 995, pictured) or 100 per cent Cotton Quilt Blue & Natural (R2 295) from Weylandts.

EVERLASTING

Transform a family heirloom to an on-trend focal piece by upholstering it in a fashionable fabric. Alternatively pop in to Classic Revivals for the Carlyle Ottoman (R14 700).





DRAPES

Drapes have been adding a luxurious touch to bedrooms since the Middle Ages, when they surrounded canopy beds to provide warmth and privacy. Pictured is Comet fabric in Plaza from the Galaxy collection by Fabric Library Wide R910/m, which is available at Home Fabrics.

BEDROOM SUPPLEMENT

HEADBOARDS

Whether you prefer to make a bold statement or opt for something softer, every bed needs a frame for a perfect finish. The Kirsten Headboard in fabric or leather (from R2 295 for single), is available in single, 3/4, double, queen and king, from Sofaworx.

FEATHERS
Hungarian geese develop large down clusters due to the cold winter climate in Europe. These feathers have been keeping South Africans warm via Lifson Product's various ranges of pillows and duvets, such as the queen size (winter weight) Hungarian Goose Down Duvet (R2 685) pictured.

GLAMOUR

Add a contemporary focal point with the Nail Pedestal White With Copper Detail (R2 695) from @home.



INDIGO

Deep blue with a touch of violet, indigo is linked to intuition, compassion and structure. Add a splash with Montero fabric in Blueblood from the Boulevard Bliss Vol. 1 & 2 collection (R317/m) from U&G Fabrics.



KING OF THRONES

Sit back, relax, and catch up with your partner's news of the day in this plush Bossy Wing Loveseat from Leon at CCXIX (R16 182, including Linara Romo fabric). It's too soft for most of the Lannisters but Tyrion would probably love it!



LIGHTING Create the perfect

ambience with the

Set (from R300) from MRP Home, provide a

MOSQUITO PROOF

Evoke the romanticism of colonial style with a mosquito net draped over a four-poster bed. The nets can be custom-made by Kiwinet according to your requirements, such as this fitted four-poster net, which has been dip dyed.



Open up a world of ideas by opting to paint your bedroom but do some research before you start. The Dulux website offers advice on techniques, as well as colour references and inspiration. The example here, featuring Nomadic Glow 1 (30YR 18/212) on top and Soft Cinnebar 1 (70RR 16/116) below, is from the Colour Futures 2015 forecast.

Classic wooden shutters conjure up romantic scenes of tea plantations and foreign travels. Custom designs from Plantation Shutters assist with light control and privacy while offering excellent insulation.

QUILTS
While a handcrafted patchwork quilt makes a stunning inheritance these 170×240cm Stonewashed Cotton Quilts in Ash. Blanco. Charcoal and Smoke (R1 070 each) from Hertex will ensure everyone can have their own.



REFLECTIONS

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LINENS



This 60×60cm cut-to-measure 25mm Aluminium Venetian Blind in brushed gold (R202) from Decorland is a novel way to add bling to your bedroom.



WEAVEWORLD

Fibre floor coverings in coir, jute, sea grass, sisal or a wool and sisal mix provide the perfect foundation for a natural look.

Try Sisal Fine Panama Silver from the Sisal Collection (R615/m²) by Rowley & Hughes.

X-RAY VISION

Glass in a warm amber hue contributes towards a relaxed and soothing atmosphere. This Glass Wall Light, HAT. Amber (CA-KLW-3130/ AB) offers a soft option. It's R1 355 from K. Light Import.



Add pattern to a chic boudoir with the chevron-laden Suite collection, pictured with a 50×70 pillowcase (R2 330), top sheet (R5 195) and coverlet (R6 891), all in 000/458, from The Hall Collection.



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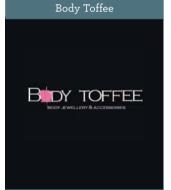


Bloody Mary spice mix





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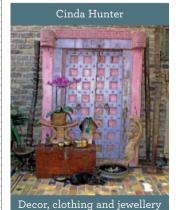


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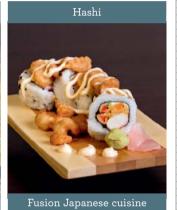
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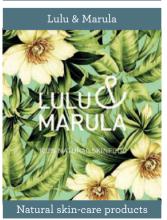


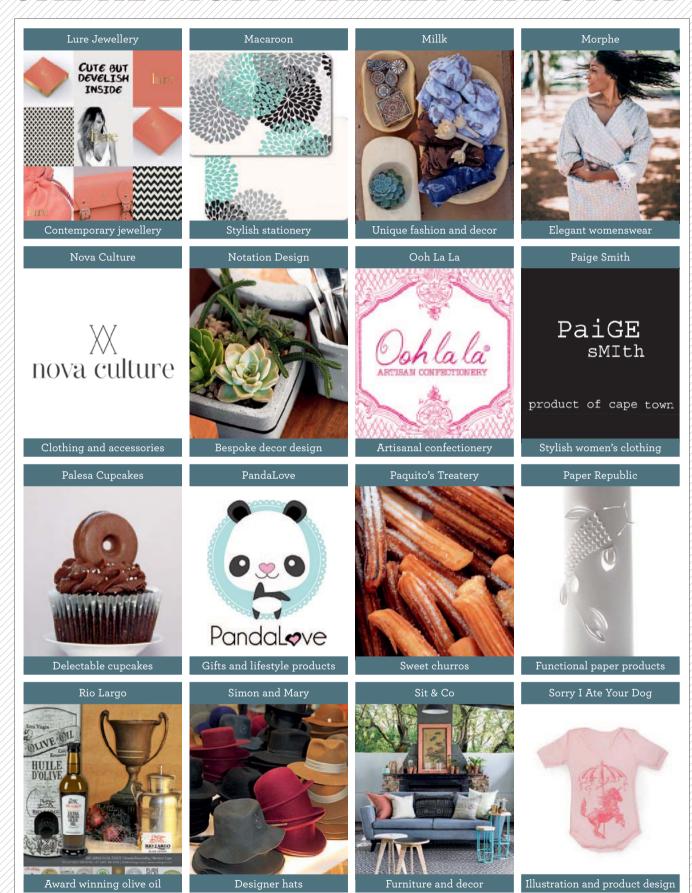
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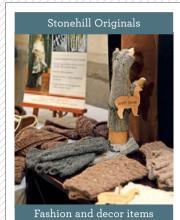


















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CAPTIONS FOR PAGE 32 AND 33, FROM BACK LEFT Mottled PVC background in abovc1 Mottled Grey from the PVC Backgrounds (Airbrushed) range R2 295 (2×3m, BACYI), Linfot Pro; mild-steel Turned Table server by Gregor Jenkin R22 580, Tonic; artichoke R69,99/kg, Food Lover's Market; Amber cologne R1 300 (100ml), Santa Maria Novella; Skull candle in White from The Burning range by Sobeit Studio R680, Life Grand Café; chunky silver **ring** with pyrite stone R4 250, and round chunky silver **ring** with pyrite stone R4 850, both by Philippa Green, and silver signet **ring** with rose cut diamond by Eric Loubser R2 890, all Tinsel; Yswara tea box filled with Thyolo Slopes loose-leaf tea R180, Life Grand Café; Tank Low Ball glasses R1 110 (set of two), and Tank jug R2 340, all by Tom Dixon, all M Square Lifestyle Necessities; Professional Soft Squeeze topiary trimming shears by Burgon & Ball R1 600 (small), Life Grand Café; oxidised-silver Eye **pendant** with pear shaped diamonds by Geraldine Fenn R14 300, Tinsel; Chain paperweight by Carl Auböck R5 050, Paul Smith; The Nouveau pumps in Patent Black by Stuart Weitzman R4 195, Spitz; stainless-steel 1963 Travel alarm clock by Chopard R13 880, Picot & Moss; candlesticks in Antique Bronze Metallic Ceramic from the Transmission collection by Diesel Living with Seletti from R1 824, Generation; candles, stylist's own; Meisterstück Solitaire Blue Hour LeGrand fountain pen R16 900, Montblanc; Spiritus Sancti **perfumed candle** by Cire Trudon R1 100 (classic candle), Apsley House; Cog **container** by Tom Dixon R2 150 (small), Paul Smith; limited-edition Orange River Francolin **sculpture** in Bronze Verdigris by Italia Greig R19 000 (18×31cm), Charles Greig Gallery; figs R12,99 pack of four, Food Lover's Market.

CAPTIONS FOR PAGE 37, FROM BACK LEFT Mottled PVC background in abovc1 Mottled Grey from the PVC Backgrounds (Airbrushed) range R2 295 (2×3m, BACYI), Linfot Pro; Oak Levate 34021 (AV) Wire Brushed laminate flooring from the Classic Touch range by Kaindl R230/m², Exclusive Floors Northriding; mild-steel Turned Table server R22 580, Tonic; Swirl Print Fabric pocket notebook R675 (medium), Paul Smith; Galassia FF 0090/S sunglasses in Peach Ruthenium/Dark Brown by Fendi R5 395, The Eye Makers; StarWalker Urban Speed fountain pen R7 400, Montblanc; L.U.C 1937 Classic 18-Carat Rose Gold watch by Chopard R249 275, Boutique Haute Horlogerie; compass R380, Life Grand Café; Patchouli cologne R1 300 (100ml), Santa Maria Novella; Dalla Cia 10-year-old Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot grappa R1 535 (500ml), Norman Goodfellows; Female hand mannequin R400, Anatomy Design; gold Skull ring with black diamonds and rubies by Geraldine Fenn R20 625, Tinsel; books, stylist's own; Essential V cuff in Gold-finished brass metal R10 900, Louis Vuitton; petri dish R75 (small), Anatomy Design; nails, stylist's own; Lingot key ring with rose-gold finish by Chopard R1 418, Architects of Time; Monogram Shine shawl in Black R8 400, Louis Vuitton.

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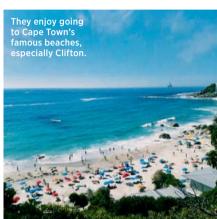












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For this fashion-industry professional and her architect (and *HL* Rising Star) husband, weekends in Cape Town are done in style

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ur ideal weekend is hard to define as our calendar fills up with varied activities ranging from 3D-modelling deadlines for Tariq to fashion events for me. When not on deadline Tariq is also consumed by his second master's in property development. I take these moments to slip away to the gym or the hairdresser. It's also the best time to catch up on the glossy pages of Vogue but, first, an early morning wouldn't exist without coffee.

Tariq will often hit an inter-architect-firm soccer game and then we'll spend some quality time together. A dose of vitamin D on the beach to unwind from the busy week is one of our favourite things. Recently our calendar has been filled with weddings in our circle of friends, which has entailed afternoon adventures in the beautiful scenery of the seemingly endless vineyards. We particularly enjoyed

Lourensford Estate, which happened to appear twice on our calendar in one month.

When duty calls and exciting fashion events are happening in Cape Town we will attend. This year highlights included South African Menswear Week and Design Indaba.

If we are lucky to have the evening to ourselves a trip to a swanky Cape Town restaurant is on our agenda. Our palates are particularly partial to Asian cuisine and we've been known to indulge in a little fine dining at Kitima Restaurant in Hout Bay.

A perfect Sunday would entail waking up to a detox green juice (spinach, pineapple, apple and ginger – it's good!) and then, to slow things down, we enjoy taking a drive out to Franschhoek or catching a polo match at Val de Vie Estate. \triangle

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